

BRITISH TO CONFER WITH ALLIES BEFORE REPLYING TO PRESIDENT WILSON'S NOTE; ENGLISH PRESS STARTLED BY PROPOSAL

Parliament Prorogued; Neither Note Nor German Peace Proposal Mentioned In The King's Address

London, Dec. 22.—The British government will make no statement at the present time in regard to President Wilson's peace note, considering it a question that can be dealt with only in communication with the other members of the Entente. Announcement to this effect was made in the House of Commons today by Andrew Bonar Law, chancellor of the exchequer and government leader in the house.

Mr. Law was asked whether a statement could be made regarding the American note. He replied:

"It must be obvious to the House that this is a question that can only be dealt with after communication with our allies and that it is absolutely impossible to make a statement now."

London, Dec. 22.—In official and diplomatic circles in London, it was generally predicted today that President Wilson's note to the belligerents would be made by an identical reply from the Entente Powers. This method of answering the note will differ from the reply to be made by the Entente nations to the German peace note in which it is understood that while agreeing to the general principles, each member of the Entente will be free to express any individual views which they may feel desirable to utter.

But for the foregoing reason it is hardly likely there will be an early reply to President Wilson's note as it is expected full consultations between diplomats of the Entente countries will take place before a formal answer is made.

London, Dec. 22.—Parliament was prorogued this afternoon without the members being given any further information regarding President Wilson's note or what action the government contemplated with respect to it.

Neither the note nor the German peace proposal was mentioned in the king's speech, read in both houses. The only reference to the president's suggestion was made by Andrew Bonar Law, the government leader, in a reply to a question by Sir William Pollard Boyle, a pacifist member. Mr. Law declared that the question was one which could not be dealt with except in communication with the allies.

The speech from the throne was one of the briefest on record. It expressed confidence in the ultimate victory of the allies and the determination to prosecute the war until "we have vindicated the rights so ruthlessly violated by our enemies and established the security of Europe on a sure foundation."

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Buffalo Bill Continues Ill

Denver, Colo., Dec. 22.—Colonel William Cody, Buffalo Bill, is seriously ill at the home of his daughter, Mrs. May Decker, in Denver. He is suffering from a nervous breakdown. He is 70 years old.

The Young Lady Across the Way



The young lady across the way who saw in the paper that the old stream was changing its course again and it must be very convenient for the poor people that live along it.

TO SUCCEED ARCHBOLD

New York, Dec. 22.—A. U. Bedford was today elected president of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, to succeed the late John D. Archbold. Mr. Bedford has for some years been vice president and treasurer of the company.

6 AMERICANS ON TORPEDOED BRITISH SHIP

Washington, D. C., Dec. 22.—An official report to the state department today from the American consul at Malta, said that the British horse ship St. Ursula, bound from Saloniki to Montreal, in ballast, with six Americans in the crew, was sunk without warning by a torpedo from a submarine of unknown nationality, on December 12th. Two officers reported seeing the wake of the submarine and its periscope but not its flag. The survivors, including six Americans, were landed in Malta, six hours afterward. Four men are still missing. The state department has ordered the investigation.

Villistas Attack Torreon

El Paso, Texas, Dec. 22.—Francisco Villa's forces began an attack on Torreon this morning, according to unconfirmed reports received here today. The battle was said to be in progress at noon.

HOW THE BRITISH PRESS VIEWS WILSON'S NOTE

London, Dec. 22.—The Globe gives a secondary place to its comment upon President Wilson's note, which is made in a satirical vein under the heading:

"WHAT IS THE MATTER WITH HIM?"

"We sincerely hope President Wilson is not unwell." "Yet we find ourselves gravely doubtful as to his physical well being."

The newspaper proceeds to ask if the president has never heard of what the Germans did in Belgium and Serbia and confesses that it finds itself unable to believe he knows these things when he "describes the Central Powers as desirous of securing small states against aggression. . . . The high cost of living is said to be hitting the average American citizen very hard indeed, which may account in some measure for the milk of human kindness in the presidential cocoon."

The Star, in its comment, says:

"PRESIDENT WILSON'S NOTE IS A CHRISTMAS BOMB-SHELL."

"It comes as a complete surprise to us. Let us say at once

that the allies in general and Great Britain, in particular, ought to treat it with the most sympathetic respect, and give it most friendly, most careful consideration."

"Mr. Wilson is one of the greatest presidents of one of the greatest nations of the world. He stands for the things that we, as a nation, believe in. His ideals are our ideals. We gladly give his words the hearing due to a friend speaking in behalf of friends."

The Pall Mall Gazette:

SHARPLY CRITICIZES THE PRESIDENT

"To revive a term once familiar in American politics," it affirms, "he assumes the attitude of a 'Know-Nothing'. He does not realize that he makes the blood of every honorable man in Europe boil when he professes inability to distinguish between the objects and professions of the two sides."

"The president is as unlovely as he is high-minded. His zeal for humanity has evoked a step that will create the bitterest resentment among all who are fighting, working and dying for the very principles he has at heart."

MAY MAKE KNOWN CHIEF PEACE TERMS

London, Dec. 22.—An Exchange Telegraph dispatch from The Hague, says it is announced semi-officially that should the Entente Allies in their reply to the peace proposals of the Central Powers leave the door open for negotiations, Germany will make known her chief peace terms immediately.

IMPORTANT POINT IN EGYPT CAPTURED BY BRITISH FORCES

CELEBRATES 100TH BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY

Lancaster, O., Dec. 22.—Mrs. Anna Miller, living near here, celebrated her 100th birthday anniversary today.

FIVE PERISH IN MASONIC HOME FIRE

Wichita, Kas., Dec. 22.—At least five persons are believed to have lost their lives and several are suffering from injuries as the result of a fire that destroyed the main building of the Kansas Masonic Home here early today. In addition, scores of old men and women and children suffered from the effects of smoke or from exposure in a temperature of eight above zero. Several, made unconscious by smoke or overcome by cold as they fled from the burning structure in their night clothes, were taken to hospitals. Two bodies so badly burned that identification seemed impossible, were taken from the ruins at noon. The chapel, valued at \$10,000, and the hospital, valued at \$20,000, were the only buildings saved. The loss was estimated at \$250,000. The fire started in the boiler room and had gained great headway before being discovered by a passerby.

(The following review of the day's events in the European war is compiled by experts in the Associated Press office in New York from dispatches and information received through various reliable sources at their command.)

New York, Dec. 22.—While winter weather is causing military operations on most of the fighting fronts to lack features of interest, considerable activity is developing in sectors far enough south to admit of energetic campaigning.

On the Tigris, the British, after a period of quiet, have recently pushed forward close to Kut-el-Amara on the south and are continuing to attack the Turkish forces in that region, evidently in the hope of resuming their long delayed march toward Bagdad.

Now another field of activity is demanding attention from today's announcement from London that British forces have captured El Arish in Egypt, on the Mediterranean 90 miles east of the Suez canal.

Little has been heard from the Egyptian operations for some time, but the British are known to have been making somewhat elaborate preparations to protect the canal region from further incursions such as that of last summer and their defenses have been pushed far out on the Sinai (Continued On Page Six)

INDICTED FOR DUMPING MILK

Cleveland, O., Dec. 22.—Six farmers living at Solon, near here, were indicted by the county grand jury today for dumping milk in the embargo war which is in progress here between the northern Ohio Producers' Association and Cleveland distributors. Milk enroute to the city was intercepted and duped according to the charges. Hundreds of gallons of milk have been destroyed by this means, distributors charge.

BUOYANT RECOVERIES IN STOCKS

New York, Dec. 22.—Buoyant recoveries of from three to over ten points at the opening of today's stock market prompted by the overnight developments in the peace situation, caused a hurried covering of short commitments and a strong tone throughout the forenoon session.

There was a pronounced change of sentiment in all issues, attributed to a measure to a clearer view of the intent of President Wilson's note to the belligerent powers, and to Secretary Lansing's second explanatory statement published after the close of the market yesterday. Banking interests regarded today's movement as a logical reaction from the recent market excesses and continued work was in progress and would to urge caution, reinforcing this attitude by further discrimination against stocks of shifting value.

Ratifies Treaty For Sale Of Danish West Indies

Copenhagen, Dec. 22.—(Via treaty providing for the sale of London)—King Christian, in the the Danish West Indies to the cabinet council today ratified the United States.

SHIPPING BOARD NAMED

Washington, D. C., Dec. 22.—President Wilson today nominated the following to be members of the government shipping board: William Denman, of San Francisco; Bernard N. Baker, of Baltimore; John A. Donald, of New York; John Barber White, of Kansas City, Mo.; Theodore Brent, of New Orleans.

Martin's Ferry, Ohio, Dec. 22.—Mrs. Ella Travers, of Bellaire, is under arrest here charged with kidnapping her 13-year-old daughter from the county children's home. Three years ago the Belmont County Humane Society was awarded custody of the child by the court.

Uncle Sam Is Watching Reception Of Notes In The Various Capitals

Washington, D. C., Dec. 22.—Official copies of Secretary Lansing's two statements of yesterday on President Wilson's notes to the belligerents have been sent to all American diplomats abroad for the information of the governments to which they are accredited, in order that there may be no misconception there of the president's purpose.

Washington, Dec. 22.—With the purposes of President Wilson's notes to the belligerents clarified by official statements on the subject the attention of the United States has turned to the reception of the note in the foreign capitals.

Diplomats here are eagerly watching for indications of whether the European neutrals will follow the lead of the United States and make a similar appeal to the warring powers.

There is a growing feeling that the United States hopes to become the clearinghouse for views and possibly for terms of the belligerents. Several of the diplomats have advised their governments to that effect in order to guide them in their replies.

Surprise at the fast growing significance of the president's move was expressed on all sides, where it was pointed out that at first the opinion prevailed that the note itself was merely a "feeler" and that the most immediately contemplated in issuing it was the receipt of some sort of definition from the various warring nations.

That the president should let it be known indirectly to the diplomats for their guidance, that he went even farther than that and counted on an absolutely frank reply from the belligerents which would lead to an actual opening for negotiations proved only less surprising than the actual note itself. This feeling was increased by Secretary Lansing's (Continued On Page Six)

SNOW COVERS OHIO TOWNS

Columbus, O., Dec. 22.—Ohio towns and cities were busy today digging themselves out from under the heaviest snowfall in years. The storm seemed to be general, but heavier in the central and northern portions of the state.

Traction service in many parts of the state was brought to a complete standstill and fast through railroads trains were hours late. In some of the larger cities, including Columbus, street car traffic was almost at a standstill. Thousands of people were forced to walk to work.

The heaviest snow was reported in the vicinity of Canton where 10 inches fell. In Columbus and other portions of central Ohio, the snowfall was five inches and was accompanied by a 40-mile wind.

Cleveland, Akron and Canton suffered the worst blizzard in years. There the wind reached 18 miles an hour. Along Lake Erie, fears were expressed for (Continued On Page Six)

Plan For Universal Military Training To Be Laid Before Congress

Washington, D. C., Dec. 22.—A definite plan for universal military training will be laid before congress next month in the shape of a bill formulated by the general staff of the army, accompanied by complete estimates of costs, as compared to the present volunteer system.

Major General Hugh L. Scott, chief of staff, told the house military committee today that the committee would be glad to see the bill.

Billy Batt In Times Weatherman



I haven't any doubts that the ancestors of men or some of 'em at least, were monkeys, but I'm dead certain that the ancestors of goats wasn't. Considerin' the 'bitch' those 'wild and open winter' fellers have made of the weather, I don't calculate on 'heavin' from 'em again for about a year. Here's for tomorrow:

Ohio—Fair tonight except snow in northeast portion. Colder with a cold wave in southeast portion. Saturday fair, slightly warmer in west portion.

Kentucky—Fair tonight. Colder in east portion. Saturday fair, not quite so cold.

West Virginia—Local snows and much colder tonight with a cold wave. Saturday fair. Continued cold.

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One of the kind of pictures you like to see on Saturday

Sympathy Racket Is Failure; Police News

The efforts of J. A. Dressler, an aged Wheelersburg citizen, to work the "old soldier" sympathy racket on Mayor Kaps, failed in police court Friday morning.

It was the aged man's second appearance in a fortnight. Officer Donley found him at East Portsmouth Friday at 3 a. m. "You were out either late or very early for an old man," said the mayor. Although a partly filled flask of whiskey was found on him Mr. Dressler insisted he was not drunk as charged. "I'll admit I took a nip or two," said he. "Then it is only a difference of opinion between you and the officer," suggested the mayor.

Mr. Dressler said he had come to town during the afternoon and gone to Ironton in the evening on the traction line but on the return trip was put off at the wrong place and got lost.

"There's one question I would like to ask you, is your father John or Peter Kaps?" said he. "Peter Kaps, five dollars for intoxication," replied the mayor, ending the interview although the old fellow still boasted of his acquaintance with the court's father and declared his intention of paying him a visit on his coming trip to Florida, where Mr. Kaps resides.

A steelworker giving the name of Joseph Hughes was fined \$10 and costs for beating his wife with a chair at their home No. 2414 Gallia street late Thursday night.

Tom Moore, who when questioned by Officer Gore, as to where he had gotten the coffee and creamery butter which he tried to sell at Chas. Ziegler's saloon told the patrolman it was none of his business, was fined \$5 for drunkenness. The fine was suspended pending good behavior.

A foreigner giving the name of Peter Stannage, of New Boston, and another plain drunk claiming to be H. L. Brown were fined \$5 each.

Rastus Hodge was ordered dismissed from custody as soon as he reimbursed Mrs. Sam Cutlip to the extent of \$2. She had given him that amount for a load of coal but instead he appropriated the money to his own use.

ADDRESS ONE CARE THE TIMES

Surprises comes in bunches at times. At least, Attorney B. F. Kimble firmly believes that they do.

Thursday afternoon Attorney Kimble received word from an old friend at Manchester stating that he was sending him a big turkey for Christmas. Friday morning, the expressman brought Mr. Kimble two large turkeys. Another friend at Vanceburg, Ky., had also remembered that it was Christmas.

Attorney Kimble says that he will have turkey Christmas and the following week, then another turkey New Year's and the following week.

Women May Receive Notary Commissions

Action favoring legislation allowing women to obtain notary commissions, was taken at the mid-winter convention of the Ohio State Bar association, which adjourned after a two day session at Columbus, Thursday evening. Minor changes in statutory laws were also recommended by the delegates attending the convention.

The convention was formally opened Wednesday morning with a short business session, at which many of the leading attorneys of the state delivered short addresses. Among those speaking were: Attorney G. McBride, Mansfield, and Attorney General Edward C. Turner and William Marshall Bullitt, one of the foremost insurance attorneys in the country.

In the evening a sumptuous feast was served at the Decker hotel. All of the delegates attended. Judge Brown, Dayton, Paul C. Martin, Springfield, and Chief Justice Nichols, of the Ohio Supreme court, gave short talks. Every member of the Ohio Supreme court attended the banquet.

Thursday, action on several proposed measures was taken. Attorneys Will J. Meyer and Clinton Seal represented the Scioto County Bar Association. "The meeting was interesting and instructive," Mr. Meyer said Friday, on returning.

The next meeting will be held at Cedar Point some time next winter.

NEW BOSTON

Thomas O'Neal of Gallia avenue, returned home Thursday afternoon.

er a trip to Toledo to deliver \$65,000 bonds to Stacy & Brown for the new high school building.

Nine, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Riekey of Monroe street, who has been suffering with measles remains about the same.

Joe Madrik's new two-story house on Rhodes avenue is nearing completion.

Margaret and Kenneth, children of Mr. and Mrs. William Canter, of Gallia avenue, who have been ill for several days, are getting along nicely.

Louella Harr, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Harr, of Rhodes avenue, is seriously ill with measles.

Work is progressing nicely on the two cottages on Rhodes avenue belonging to Frank Eisman, of Sciotoville.

Mr. and Mrs. George Thummel, of Chillicothe, will spend the holidays with relatives here.

Sherman Marston, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Marston, of Rhodes avenue, who has been ill with measles for several days, is improving.

The school board will meet this evening at the mayor's office. Some important business will be transacted. All members should be present.

The New Boston school will be closed from Friday evening until Jan. 2, giving the school children a ten days' vacation.

Mayor Davis of New Boston has purchased the Pastime theatre from Fred Belmont and will begin work on a new up-to-date brick theatre in the near future.

L. N. Allard, who is attending dental college in Cincinnati will arrive home Friday to spend Christmas with home folks. Mrs. Allard and son Stewart have been home since Thanksgiving.

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Leg Amputated

J. I. Marsh, a well known mineral water manufacturer, had his right leg amputated above the knee at Hempstead hospital, Friday.

Mr. Marsh withstood the surgical operation nicely, going back to bed in good shape. He had been suffering with an internal constitutional disturbance for several years past and recently developed gangrene.

KITCHEN CABINETS

\$14.00 up to \$48.00

Thirty one samples to select from. Come, we can suit you.

Alsbaugh

adv 6U

Miss Edith Cyrus, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Cyrus, of 1630 Grandview avenue, who has been quite ill, is improving.

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For Croup and Cold Troubles They Just Apply Vick's VapoRub Well Over Throat and Chest, and Cover With a Warm Flannel Cloth.

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A few winters ago, when Vick's VapoRub was first introduced in Hamilton, Ohio, the local druggists presented complimentary jars to a few of their customers, and requested that this preparation be given a thorough trial and the results reported. We give below extracts from a few of these reports.

Mr. Fred Garver, 838 N. 7th Street, reports:—

"My wife has used Vick's VapoRub Salve on the children for croup and sore throat, and it relieved them right away. I have used it myself for general purposes, such as cuts, galls and sore arms and was very much satisfied with the results."

Mr. A. L. Morris, R. F. D. No. 10, writes:—

"We are very well pleased with Vick's VapoRub Salve. Have tried it for catarrh, sore throat and colds in the head with good results."

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SCIOTOVILLE AND WHEELERSBURG

SCIOTOVILLE

Raymond, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mungey, of Jackson street, is suffering with diphtheria.

Miss Violet Marsh, of Fourth avenue, who has been suffering with throat trouble, is improving slowly.

Miss Emma Sontag, of Marion, is the guest of her cousin, Miss Hazel Shauer of Long Meadow.

Mrs. James McCall, of Long Meadow, spent Wednesday with relatives and friends at Portsmouth.

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Higgins, of Main street, were business visitors to Portsmouth, Thursday.

Miss Margaret Stedman, of Scioto street, was shopping in Portsmouth, Thursday.

Walter Head, of the H. C. Summers and Son Piano company, of Jackson, was a business visitor here Thursday.

WHEELERSBURG

Mrs. George Koch, of Main street, entertained the "Jolly Six" Kensington club at her home Wednesday evening with a party.

The evening was spent in needle work, music and social chat after which a dainty lunch was served.

Miss Nell Barney, of Hayport, was the guest of Miss Edith Wilson, of Main street, Thursday and Friday.

Will Ranshous returned home after spending a few days at Ironton.

Frank McCurdy, Main street undertaker, was a business visitor to Portsmouth Friday.

Ed Fisher, of Dayton, will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fisher of near Wheelersburg during the holidays.

Order that case of delicious "CRYSTAL GOLD" beer for your Christmas dinner now. Call the city Brewery, Phone 94, for prompt Thursday calling on friends at delivery.

At the weekly session of the Carpenters' and Joiners' Union Thursday night, the members voted to pay \$10 into the Bureau of Community Service fund.

Irtonton Visitor
Capt. J. Riddle, of the Irtonton fire department, was in the city Thursday calling on friends at 20-44 Seventh street company.

Do Your Late Buying at Our Store

Our stock is complete we have a complete line of Neckwear in Xmas boxes, 50c to \$1.50. Men's Hosiery in all colors, 25c and 50c. Men's Dress and Work Gloves, Shirts, Underwear, Handkerchiefs, Hand Bags, Suit Cases and Trunks, Umbrellas, Raincoats, Hats, Caps and Shoes. Men's and Women's Comfy Slippers.

L. F. Lemon & Co.

East End

Head of Lawson



When you pay a social debt with Nye's Chocolates you get large returns in appreciation. Do you owe some one a box now?

Besides Whitman's we have Park & Tilford's, and Pogo & Shaw's fine Xmas candy.

Get It At

NYE'S

M. W. of A. Will Give Benefit Show At Lyric

Portsmouth Camp No. 3993 M. W. of A. meets tonight to confer the ceremonies of initiation on a class of candidates. Final arrangements for the picture show to be given at the Lyric Saturday night for the benefit of the

degree team will be completed at this meeting. The two special reels for the lodge will be shown in addition to the regular show. Tickets sold by lodge members will be good at the Lyric all next week although the special pictures will not be shown.

OLD XMAS CUSTOM AT ALL SAINTS

The choral celebration of the Holy Eucharist will be sung as usual in All Saints' church on Christmas eve and the parish will pursue its custom during the past seven years of honoring the birth of the infant Saviour in the way most in accord with the practice of the church. Sir Waller Scott alludes to the custom of a celebration of the Eucharist on Christmas Eve in these words:

On Christmas eve the bells were rung.

On Christmas eve the Mass were sung.

That only night in all the year

Saw the stoled priest the chalice rear.

The church will be appropriately and beautifully decorated for the occasion and the service will be rendered by the vested choir under the direction of Mrs. S. L. Rice.

A feature of the service will be the singing of Christmas carols. The full program of the music will appear in connection with the usual notice of services published tomorrow. The service on Christmas Eve will commence at 11:15 p. m. and will last about one hour. The public is cordially invited to the old parish church on this occasion. All who have

been in the habit of attending this service since its institution will surely make every effort not to miss it, and those who are not familiar with its beauties owe it to themselves to attend a service which has no equal for beauty. The street car company will run cars leaving Market street at 12:30 a. m. and 12:30 a. m. for the main line and at 12:30 a. m. for Hilltop. This schedule will enable those living at a distance to attend the services.

MAYOR WILL ATTEND

Mayor H. H. Kaps has accepted an invitation to attend a conference of city executive heads to be held at the Deshler hotel in Columbus December 28. The question for consideration will be deciding upon a plan for financial relief to be submitted to the next session of the legislature. Harry L. Davis, mayor of Cleveland, has called the meeting.

Mr. Dodds Is Delegate

Gilbert F. Dodds, county treasurer-elect, received notification of his appointment as delegate to the annual convention of the National Security League, which will be held at the New Willard hotel, Washington, D. C., January 25, 26 and 27. The notification was signed by Herbert Barry, secretary.

The National Security League was organized several months ago to secure a better preparedness plan for the United States.

The United States produces 80 per cent of the oil of the world.

For the ladies and misses we are showing a beautiful line of coats, suits dresses, waists skirts and corsets in a range of prices from seventy five cents to \$50.00

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SOCIETY

Mr. and Mrs. John L. Grimes and baby, of Wheeling, W. Va., are here to spend Xmas with their relatives, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Bauer and Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Grimes.

The Progress Club will hold a winter picnic New Year's night at the home of Miss Naumie Foley, on Grandview avenue.

R. B. Stokley, assistant division engineer of the Big Four road at Mount Carmel, Ill., will arrive tonight to visit his relatives over Christmas.

Dec York will arrive home Sunday morning from Annapolis to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond D. York, and will return to Annapolis Xmas night.

Miss George Sells, who has been making her home with Mrs. John King, on New Sixth street, left last evening for Arizona to spend the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Goetz will have as guests at dinner Christmas Mr. and Mrs. Roy Prather.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Miller Adair (Hazel Drew) will arrive Saturday evening to spend Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Irving Drew.

Mr. and Mrs. George Marting and children are coming this evening from Columbus to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Marting.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur H. Hares, of Covent, N. J., are here to spend Christmas with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Bates.

Mr. William Ware and daughter, Miss Marie Ware, and Mrs. Samuel Timmons are at home from a short visit in Cincinnati.

D. A. McIntosh will come up from Cincinnati to spend Christmas with friends.

Miss Margarette Dawson arrived home last night from Miami University, Oxford.

Will Hold Bake Sale

Members of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Allen Chapel A. M. E. church will hold a bake sale all day Saturday at the William McConnell grocery on Eleventh street.

The fellow who didn't know it was "baked" is like the theorist who never knows when his theory is going to explode.

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Dressed chickens . . . 50 to 55c

Dressed turkeys . . . 50 to 55c

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All the fruits and vegetables, lettuce, celery, cranberries, etc., etc., fresh and dry, company sausage, spare ribs, butter and eggs. Phone us your orders early.

J. J. BRUSHART, The Cash Grocer

Send in your gift today for that 1917 baby or parents, if you have not already done so. Do your giving early just the same as you shop early. Don't overlook the first New Year's baby in your hurry to prepare for Christmas. Exactly three dozen and one gifts have been contributed and donated within ten days. Six names of contributors were added to the list Thursday. By Saturday night the number of presents are expected to reach fifty or more.

Mrs. William Mays, of Front and Bond streets, sent word to The Times Thursday that she would give baby a pair of crocheted booties.

Mrs. Sherman Smith has not overlooked baby. She will give the youngster a crocheted cap.

Sam Schloss, of the Schloss book store, on Gallia street, sent in word Thursday that he would give baby a chair.

Makavazos Company will give to the lucky parents a five pound box of fancy chocolates.

Walter Wilhelm, Chillicothe street jeweler, has ordered The Times to announce that he will give baby a gold ring.

Brady and Wear, butchers, of 2004 Robinson avenue, will give to the parents one large bunch of weiners.

Other contributors are: Times Publishing Company, \$20 gold piece for the baby.

Times Publishing Company, basket of flowers for the mother.

S. Rosenthal, Chillicothe street merchant, an infant's long coat.

Mrs. J. A. Cooper, 1823 Eighth street, box of home-made candy.

Miss Anna Pfeiffer, baby cap, baby sack, and pair of white shoes.

Portsmouth Candy Company, box of Schraff's chocolates.

Portsmouth Vulcanizing Company, hand made Irish crocheted baby cap.

Virgil Fowler, No. 2 Broward camera.

J. W. Carroll, wall paper for one room.

Bennett and Babcock, pair of eye glasses for mother.

W. T. Bauer, 1 dozen 25 cent gas mantles.

Mrs. Jessie Barber, two beautiful night gowns for baby.

Mrs. George Samson, 2035 Gallia street, crocheted baby cap.

Jake Fiau, Eleventh street baker, month's supply of Fresh Butter Loaf Bread to the family.

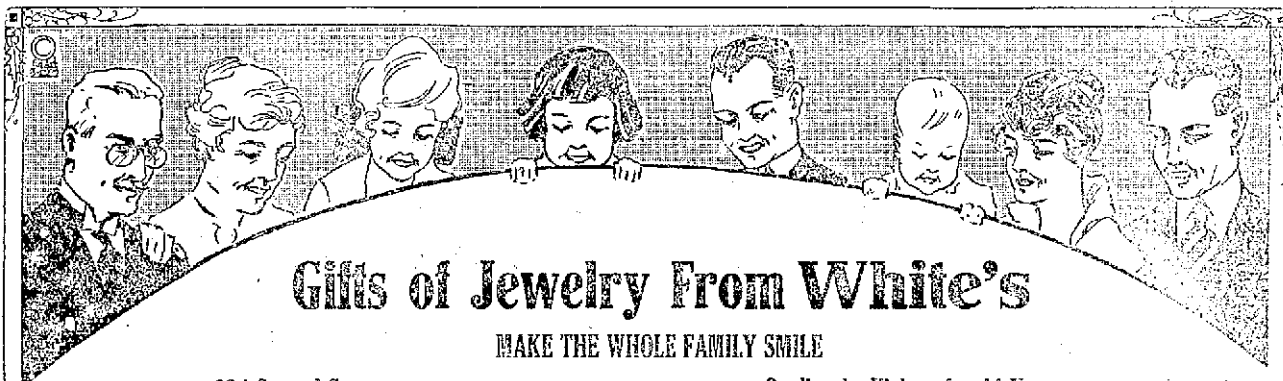
Charles King, Chillicothe street photographer, dozen cabinet photos of baby.

J. F. Benedict, of New Way Dry Cleaning establishment, Clay street, will clean and press one suit for father.

James Distel, of Distel Furniture Co., one baby walker.

G. L. Day, Second street Piano dealer, baby's gold ring.

Philip Prick, Salsotville agent, Waltham Medicine Co., box toilet soap, box baby's



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Chillicothe Street at Fourth

Uncle Sam

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authorized statement yesterday that no soundings had been taken of the attitude of the belligerents addressed and that the note had been sent entirely regardless of the reply of Lloyd-George.

The question very much to the fore today was whether the European neutrals would present a united appeal. The Spanish and Swiss representatives have been at the state department repeatedly since those proposals came out and probably know fully the plans of this government.

It is pointed out that the European neutrals have suffered beyond any other nations not actually involved in the war and that peace is more essential to them than to any but the actual belligerents.

Gradual clarification among the entente diplomats here of the president's purpose and indications late its conduct for the future, that they would advise their governments to reply in a friendly spirit, proved a source of deep gratification today as it was pointed out both in the note itself and in Secretary Lansing's explanation that one of the dangers was that the allies would consider the step as a pro-German move. Every effort was made to remove this impression. The entente diplomats, at first very fearful, have now accepted this view.

Charge Grew reported to the state department today that the president's peace note had been received in Berlin.

Several hundred telegrams congratulating President Wilson on his note to the belligerents arrived today at the White House.

Practically all of them construed the note as a move for peace. They came from individuals and organizations. The White House telegraphers were kept busy for hours receiving the messages.

BEARS NO THREAT

Washington, Dec. 22.—President Wilson's note to the belligerents, urging discussion of peace, was officially interpreted late yesterday as not bearing any threat that the United States might be forced to enter the war because of the continued invasion of its right by the warring powers on both sides.

This interpretation was made late yesterday by Secretary Lansing in a formal statement issued to overtake what were characterized as widespread misconceptions placed on one given out earlier in the day saying that because of the increasingly critical position of the United States as a neutral, it was entitled to know exactly what each belligerent sought in order that it might regulate its conduct for the future.

Secretary Lansing's final statement formally prepared and issued after he had been called to the White House for a conference with the president declared that in Secretary Lansing's explanation that the United States was considering any change in its policy of neutrality to indicate its purpose without further comment on his part.

Mr. Lansing's first statement, made orally and of which no official copy was distributed, led to exaggerations of its language and misrepresentation of official Washington.

When word of what the secretary of state had said spread throughout the capital it created

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the greatest consternation in official circles and among the foreign diplomats.

At the White House no comment whatever was made on the note itself or on the two statements by Secretary Lansing.

The German embassy gave no outward evidences of concern over the sudden developments. The general understanding was that the purpose of the explanation made by Secretary Lansing was to enable the envoys to whom he spoke to communicate to their own governments the underlying purpose of the president's action at this time.

Further the opinion prevailed that the United States expected to be fully informed of all terms including those relating to territory.

WAR

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peninsula. Apparently there has been a recent effort still further to extend the defensive zone, in which the capture of El Arish constitutes an important development.

The taking of El Arish establishes the British front at this point well toward the border of Palestine and marks the furthest eastward penetration by British forces in this area since the Turkish raids began.

El Arish has been the object previously of attacks by British aviators and warships and last May a combined naval and air raid on the place was reported to have destroyed the fortifications.

On the Franco-Belgian front, the artillery is the only arm of the service that is displaying activity of moment and even the bombardments, such as those reported in the Somme and Verdun regions, are not of pronounced intensity.

BRITISH ACTIVE IN EAST

London, Dec. 22.—El Arish, 90 miles east of the Suez Canal, was captured by the British yesterday.

RUSSIANS RETREATING

Petrograd, (Via London, Dec. 22).—British Admiralty, by wireless to the Wireless Press: Russian troops in the northern part of the Rumanian province of Dobruja having been attacked yesterday along the whole front by

superior numerical Teuton forces, says the Russian official statement issued today, they have begun a further retirement to the northwards.

SNOW

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shipping which may have been caught off guard. Toledo, Lima and other cities in northern Ohio also were hurried under unusually heavy snowfalls.

Cincinnati was blanketed under four and a half inches of snow. With an exception of an hour's delay in clearing street car tracks, no exceptional inconvenience was reported here.

Canton, O., Dec. 22.—Not a car was running on the Canton street railway lines, or on the Canton, Akron, Canton, Alliance and Canton, Massillon and New Philadelphia interurban lines at 7 o'clock this morning. This section is in the grasp of a blizzard. A snowfall of about 10 inches, carried by a high wind, has drifted so that traffic is almost impossible. All steam railroads entering this city are either practically tied or the schedules demoralized. Milkmen and bread and grocery delivery men find it impossible to get through. Rural mail deliveries will be impossible in many sections today.

4 1/2 INCHES IN CINCY

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 22.—This city was blanketed with four and a half inches covering of snow when it awoke today, but with the exception of delay for an hour in clearing street car tracks, no exceptional inconvenience has been reported.

AKRON GETS IT

Akron, O., Dec. 22.—This city is in the grip of the worst blizzard since the great snow tie-up of 1913. A heavy snow which started shortly after midnight this morning tied up all street car and railroad traffic. Many plants were threatened with a temporary shut-down because of the inability of workers to reach their places. The snow is driven by a medium high wind which drifts it into alleys and ravines. Railroad officials believe that the entire railroad system of northern Ohio may be tied up if the snow continues.

Parliament

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The text of the king's speech was as follows:

"My Lords and Gentlemen: Throughout the months that have elapsed since I last addressed you, my navy and my army, in conjunction with those of our gallant and faithful allies, have by their unceasing vigilance and indomitable valor justified the high trust placed in them. I am confident that, however long the struggle, their efforts, supported by the indefatigable determination of all my subjects throughout the empire will finally achieve the victorious consummation of those aims for which I entered into the war.

"My government has been reconstructed with the sole object of furthering those aims unflinchingly and unimpeded. I thank you for the unstinted liberality with which you continue to provide for the burdens of the war.

"The vigorous prosecution of the war must be our single endeavor until we have vindicated the rights so ruthlessly violated by our enemies, and established the security of Europe on a sure foundation. In this sacred cause

I am assured of the united support of all my peoples and I pray that the Almighty God may give us his blessing."

King George was not present in person at the prorogation which was effected by the lord high chancellor in the House of Lords and by the speaker in the House of Commons reading the king's speech. Ascent also was given by royal commission to a number of acts of Parliament.

The prorogation of Parliament is until February 7.

London, Dec. 22.—The general public had their first news of President Wilson's note from the morning papers and the matter was the one topic of conversation on incoming suburban trains and throughout the country. The people, like the press, were rather taken aback as they had about arrived at the conclusion that Premier Lloyd-George's speech had put an end to all peace talk unless the Central Powers, in their reply to the premier, were prepared to define their terms. That the president or any other neutral ruler would take any action, was farthest from their mind.

The evening papers, which do not print editorials, came out with big headlines which expressed their views. The Evening News, which is the afternoon edition of the Daily Mail, heads a reprint of the comment of the morning papers with one word "No" in large black type and under it "Our Answer to President Wilson," and again "No, No, No, That is the Answer Great Britain Gives Today Without a Moment's Hesitation to the Surprising Note From President Wilson."

Headlines such as "President Wilson's Strange Peace Essay"; "President Wilson's Peace Feceler"; "Amazing Note!" indicate in slight measure the astonishment caused by the communication. Much speculation is indulged in as to the motives or causes which inspired the president to send such a note after his assumption of the attitude that he would not mediate unless invited by both groups of belligerents.

The section of the press, utterly rejecting any idea of the possibility of peace negotiations, as the outcome of the recent German note, daily attributes the president's action to the success of propaganda conducted by Count Von Bernstorff in America and what they describe as the masterly inactivity of the late British government. The more general impression is that the agitation in America for an embargo on food exports had much to do with Mr. Wilson's action. It is also suggested that the president may have received special information from the German government and is aware of the extent to which Germany is prepared to go toward "reparation, restitution and guarantees." This is the view expressed by the Daily Chronicle. Some discussion is also devoted to the chances of congress passing food export measures and possibly an embargo on cotton and war materials.

Limited Attention.
"You can't describe an egg," remarked the sentimental person.
"I don't wish to," replied the practical citizen. "I'm perfectly content I can afford the egg, regardless of how it's cooked." Washington Star.

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Bottles
Flash Lights
Perfume Atomizer
Hot Water Bottles
Fountain Syringes
Bulb Syringes

Get It From

Rubber Goods
Rubber Dolls
Rubber Balls
Music Rolls
Accorenos
Chamois
Bath Brushes
Clothes Brushes
Candies

German Paper Is Disappointed With Lloyd-George's Reply

Berlin, Dec. 22, (Via London, 6 a. m.).—The Vorwarts, which was one of the first newspapers in Germany to talk of peace, expresses deep disappointment over the speech of Premier Lloyd-George. The paper criticizes passages in the speech from which it claims the only logical inference is that, firstly, the Entente refuses to make peace until it can do so upon the ruins of Germany's military power; second, the Entente, because Germany breaks treaties, will make no treaty with Germany at all, but will itself take substantial guarantees by force of arms; third, that Germany must swallow the Entente's terms whole and unseen before Lloyd-George will consent to negotiate.

The whole tenor of the speech, says the Vorwarts, shows that Lloyd-George uses the absence of terms in Germany's note as a mere pretext, whereas the real reason for his refusal of our offer is that Germany wants to negotiate rather than to surrender unconditionally.

Won by a Name.
During the Afghan war of 1879 a small British detachment gained a victory over a large body of the enemy by a mistaken order. A private named Vance, who had distinguished himself by several acts of bravery, was a great favorite with one of the officers, and during a skirmish the officer wanted him to carry a dispatch to the colonel in command of another detachment. The man was only a few yards away, and he called out "Vance!" at the top of his voice. The men thought he had given the order "Advance!" and immediately rushed forward with such dash and spirit that the enemy broke and fled.

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INDIAN HAD FIRE WATER

George Thomas, a half-breed Indian, employed on the C. & O. Northern bridge at Seletsville, showed fight when arrested by Detective Andy Leslie at the N. & W. depot Friday noon. He was drunk and making himself generally obnoxious about the station. Leslie slapped him twice with his open hand and took all of the fight out of him. Thomas was locked up at the city prison.

An Idea for Late Shoppers

Something for Mother, Father, Sister, Uncle, Aunt—a pair of Fine Glasses. Yes but how do you know what to buy? That's simple. Come to us and buy a Kryptak Certificate and present it on Christmas, then we will supply the proper lenses after a thorough examination. This is useful, practical gift and one unexpected. Come in tonight sure. A large stock of jewelry to select from.

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to Postoffice, to Anna Munyon,
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Don't remove a thing from the tree until the candles are extinguished.

Don't let the tree stand long after Christmas, for when dry it is doubly dangerous.

It is not difficult to obey these rules. Neither enjoyment nor money will be lost by their observance, and lives and property will be protected if they are obeyed. It is better to be safe than sorry, and the "wise" will follow these rules.

Dear Miss Dolly.—Can you give me an idea how to stuff a hide something like a squirrel or anything else of the kind. What are they stuffed with?

P. J. A.

You will never stuff one even if I do tell you how. It looks easy, and sounds easy, but believe me, it's some job. First of all the animal will have to be "eased". All the bones will have to come out except in the feet and skull.

These will have to be cleaned. The eyes are also taken out and new ones put in. After you get the critter all cleaned up you will have to build it all over again.

Most people use wire for bones or ribs and then stuff the animal with cotton and excelsior. If you want a first class job without any

work or worry attached to it, would advise you to send your squirrel to Louis Haller, Vine street, Cincinnati, Ohio, and have it mounted.

Dear Miss Wise.—I have been going with my beau for a year and five months and he wants to get married. He is a very nice and handsome boy. He is twenty years old and he says he loves me certainly love him. There is one thing I don't want to do. He wants to live with his mother for a while. She is awfully "set" in her ways and I am sure we would not get along together. Please advise me what to do.

UNDECIDED.

I do not think you would be happy living with his mother. If you wait two or three years he may be able to make a home for you somewhere else.

Dear Miss Wise.—There is a boy who lives near me and he wants to go with me. He has been after me three times inside of a week and I have told him that I do not want to have anything to do with him. But he still comes. Please tell me what to tell him so that he won't come back any more.

MABEL.

Have your father tell the boy not to bother you any more!

Dear Miss Wise.—You may think this is a foolish question, but I want to know what

GREETINGS FROM THE EAST END

Are you going to celebrate Dec. 25th, this year, or by bestowing a few tokens of remembrance upon loved ones and dear friends celebrate Christmas?

If the latter, a perusal of the following list may aid you in making a selection.

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Toy Buttons \$25 to \$2
Tie Pins \$25 to \$1
Boys' Watches \$1.25 to \$2
Electric Trains \$4
Games \$25 to \$3
Books \$10 to \$1
Box Paper \$25 to \$1
Toy Hot Bottles \$1.25 to \$5
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color is green soap?

GRACE.

Green soap is yellow.

To "wish the passerby a Merry Christmas", residents of various neighborhoods and communities in the city are making plans to burn candles in the windows of their homes, Christmas eve. The custom, said to have originated in Ireland many years ago, has been observed more generally there and in England than in America, until recently, when many cities have adopted it, one of the prettiest practices of the Yuletide season.

In many parts of the city last Christmas eve the candles were noticed burning in the windows, and it is expected that the various neighborhoods and streets will again follow same custom this year. If you haven't any candles, light up anyway.

SOCIETY

A Christmas house party will be held at the home of William Biggs, in Greenup, Ky., where the guests will be Misses Barbara Phipps, Margaret Hayes and Elizabeth Doty; Messrs. Ossie Hayes and Harry Campbell, all of Ironton. Other guests will be included in the party during Xmas week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Thompson, Cincinnati, will arrive in the city Sunday to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Thompson, 1132 Eighth street.

Mrs. Charles Howland and son, William Lee, will leave Saturday for Alexandria, O., to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Laycock. Mrs. Howland and son will remain in Alexandria while Mr. Howland is in New York City on a business trip.

Miss Mary Davis will arrive home Saturday from the Conservatory of

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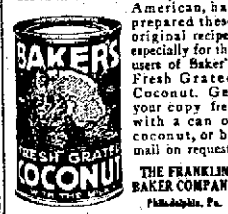
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We are well prepared to serve all Belated Xmas SHOPPERS

The early part of the week our Mr. Atlas made a flying trip to the market, here and there he picked up just the class of merchandise that is in big demand, the kind you can give your family or your friends for Xmas with a pleasing satisfaction

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RIBBONS, all prices
SILK AND FLANNEL COLLARS
UNDERWEAR for women and children
DOLLS 25c to \$1.50
Many other articles space will not permit to mention.

Ladies' and Misses' SUITS At 25 Per Cent Reduction

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"Africa." Readings were given by Mrs. James Dawson, Mrs. Eugene Gower and Mrs. William Haley. The hostesses, Mrs. Sowers and Mrs. Edward Shump, served refreshments after the program. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Seymour, in Sunnyside.

Mrs. Anna Ferguson, of Ashland, Ky., will be a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Sowers, over Christmas.

Mrs. Max Haas was hostess at yesterday afternoon's meeting of the Jewish Kaffee Klutch at Seel's parlors. The interesting game of five hundred was indulged in. Mrs. Pauline Rosenfeld and Mrs. Fred Strauss won the favors for making the highest scores, each receiving a pair of silk hose. An excellent lunch was served at the card tables.

Mrs. H. B. Cooper and two children, Donald and Harry, will arrive this evening from London, Ohio, to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Cole, on Robinson avenue.

Miss Henrietta Starling, who has been seriously ill for over two weeks, is able to sit up, which will be joyful news for her many friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stahler came up from the West Side and spent yesterday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Stahler.

Mr. and Mrs. Wells A. Hutches will go to Cincinnati Saturday to remain over Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. James Slater, of Ironton, are coming down to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Dodson will arrive Saturday at noon to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Watkins.

Mrs. M. M. McGee and daughter, Sara, of 1921 Eighteenth street, came home yesterday from Bridgeport, Ohio, where they were called two weeks ago by the serious illness of her father, Mr. Thomas Russell.

The Ah Go On Club will give a dance Christmas night in Richardson's hall, where the committee will be Messrs. Ernest Kelley, Sam Ware, W. W. Weber, Fred Klingman, Harold Thompson, George Almond, Davidson's orchestra will render the music and refreshments will be served.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Miller, of Dayton, will be Christmas guests at the home of Mrs. Miller's mother, Mrs. Zora Todd, in Sciotoville.

Miss Maud Miller, of Twelfth street, has returned from a visit with her parents, Mrs. Bell Clark and Mrs. Scott Hunter, in Cincinnati.

Mr. and Mrs. Starling Pearce will arrive Saturday from Indianapolis, Ind., to spend Christmas with their relatives.

Messrs. Harry Doerr, George Breese and Kearns Watkins are the committee in charge of a dance to be given New Year's evening in the old Elk hall, corner of Second and Court streets. The music will be rendered by the Althea Club Orchestra of Columbus.

Mr. and Mrs. Galles Cook will celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary Sunday. All friends are invited to call informally between the hours of two to five o'clock Sunday afternoon. There will be no invitations only through the press. There will be several out of town relatives here to help celebrate the event.

Mrs. M. W. Brown's class of Trinity Methodist Sunday school held a Christmas passing party yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. C. C. Cooverston, on Highland avenue, there being twenty-five present. The rooms were decorated in keeping with the Christmas season. Dainty gifts were passed after which refreshments were served by the hostesses, Mesdames Tracy, Dunn, Newland, Noel, Clark, Brown, Smith.

Miss Mary Wathen of Indianapolis, Ind., will arrive Saturday to spend Christmas with her sister, Mrs. Fred Schwartz of John street.

Mrs. John Steadley of Middletown, will arrive this evening to visit at the home of her son, Mr. Clarence Steadley on Teuth street.

Mrs. A. L. Hamman left today for Ironton to spend Christmas with her daughter.

Meet Me At Nye's Fountain. 1217

Mrs. Mary Lash, who recently resigned as matron of the Home for Aged Women, left this afternoon for Far Rockaway, N. Y., to make her home with her daughter, Mrs. Fred Meyer. Her place will be filled by Mrs. Thurman, who comes from Buena Vista right after Christmas. It has been rumored that it will not be long until a well-known Portsmouth man will go to Far Rockaway and bring her back as his bride.

Mrs. E. J. Page entertained for class of young girls of the Second Presbyterian Sunday school last evening at her home. The teacher presented a pretty gift to each member and a passing party was a special diversion of the affair. The hostess served ice cream and cake at the end of the enjoyable evening. Those present were: Lillian Friend, Lucie Ruggles, Ruth Sprague, Katherine McLatosh, Lucine Harris, Berla Blood, Marie Maguire. The absent ones were Marie DeMinio, Ruth Maguire, Helen Patterson, Ruth Gibbs and Olga Kessler.

Leslie King is at home from Akron to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nile King, who will also have as guest their brother, Mr. James Floyd King.

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1909

A NEW COAT DRESS FOR MISSSES AND SMALL WOMEN

1909.—This model is ideal for the new Fall serges and gabardines and would be real smart in velvet, satin, corduroy or taffeta. The dress has yoke portions, beneath which the dress is plaited. Its fullness is confined at the waistline by a broad belt. Dainty shaped cuffs and pockets, and a smart sailor collar, complete a very stylish effect. Added to this is the fact that this model is comfortable and practical.

The Pattern is cut in 1 sizes: 14, 16, 18 and 20 years. Size 16 requires 6 yards of 44-inch material. The dress measures about 3 yards at the foot.

A pattern of this illustration mailed to any address on receipt of 10 cents in silver or stamps.

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Basket Ball Meeting

An important meeting of all basketball players in the city interested in a City Basketball league has been called at the Club on Fourth street tonight at 7:30 o'clock. Plans for securing a basketball floor or gymnasium to be used at all times by the league will be discussed. A means of raising the money to pay for the use of the gym will be the important factor of tonight's session of basketball players who mean to revive the sport in Portsmouth.

SUNDAY AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

Sunday will be a big day at the First Presbyterian church, with possibly the best musical program ever rendered in the old church. In the morning the following program has been announced by the chorist: Solo, "The Angels' Anthem"—Schnecker, by Mrs. Roy Lynn. Quartet, "Christians Awake"—Brackett—Mrs. Lynn, Mrs. Storek, Messrs. Boyd and Schwartz. Solo, "Noel"—Adam—Mrs. P. H. Magee. The evening service will be mostly musical, with a short Christmas message by the pastor, Rev. M. S. Bush. The following splendid musical program has been arranged: Solo, "The Angels' Message"—Willis—Mrs. Roy Lynn. Quartet, "Glory to God in the Highest"—Mrs. Lynn, Mrs. Storek.

PARROT REFUSED TO LEARN FROM BOYS

If a polt parrot which Miss Hilda Strong, superintendent of Hempstead hospital, received by express from Cincinnati, Thursday, does not shock occupants of that institution with some rather unusual language it will be no fault of a gang of South Portsmouth boys. While the bird was at the C. & O. depot awaiting transfer to the Ohio side these youngsters worked overtime for an hour or more to teach it slang and cuss words. Polly, however, proved an unwilling pupil seemingly understanding that its future mistress would not countenance anything of the sort and there was one arch in the crowd who vowed that the bird's resentful parting shot as it was started down the ferry road was "boating doing, smarties!"

Different Christmas Service At 4th St. M. E.

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"Pape's Cold Compound" is pleasant and affords Instant Relief.

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Cameras, Toilet Sets and Cases, Shaving and Smoking Sets, Shaving Mirrors, Hair Brushes, Pocketbooks, Bill Books for men, Perfumes of all kinds in bulk or gift boxes, Traveling Cases, Mirrors, Manicure Sets. Come and see them. Can promise that prices are right.

Wurster Bros.

417 Chillicothe Street

Sells Houses
Joseph Herastam sold two houses located at 430 and 442 Campbell avenue to William Kugelmann Friday. The deal was consummated by F. M. B. Corson, local real estate agent.

Order that case of delicious "CRYSTAL GOLD" beer for your Christmas dinner now. Call the Brewery. Phone 94, for prompt delivery.

Initiate Five Candidates
Aurora Lodge No. 48, F. & A. M., conferred the Master Mason degree upon a class of five candidates Thursday evening at a special meeting. At six o'clock a dinner was served.

Case Number 241 Publication Notice of First Meeting of Creditors

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO WESTERN DIVISION
To the matter of The Hutchinson-Warner Company, a partnership consisting of H. S. Hutchinson and Alma Warner, are hereby notified that said partnership was a judicially declared in the above styled court on the 10th day of December 1916, on an involuntary petition filed against said partnership on the 5th day of November 1916; and that the first meeting of its creditors will take place before Mark Crawford, referee in bankruptcy, Solo County, Ohio, at his office, Room 301 National Bank Building, Portsmouth, Ohio, on Saturday January 28, 1917, at 10 P. M. at which meeting its claims may appear, file their claims, elect a trustee, and transact any and all other necessary and proper business which may lawfully come before the court at said time and place.
Given under my hand this 22nd day of December, 1916. MARK CRAWFORD, Referee in Bankruptcy, Solo County, Ohio.

To Do Justice to Your Xmas Wants

COME HERE SATURDAY! Secure What You Need For Less! Save While You Spend! Hundreds of Useful Gifts Underpriced! Where Prices Are The Lowest!

Men's \$2.00 Shirts \$1.49

This will please him, excellent quality Madras and Soisette, neat colored stripes, each in fancy Xmas boxes, all sizes.

Up To \$7.50 Hats \$1.98

Women's newest Fall Hats, silk velvet shapes trimmed with gold and silver novelties, flowers and fancies, extreme value giving.

GO WHERE THE CROWD GO

PORTSMOUTH DRY GOODS CO. 606 & 5 CHILlicothe STREET

THE MOST FOR YOUR MONEY

\$8.50 Dresses \$4.85

Pleasing styles in excellent quality Silk Poplin, novelty collar and cuffs and vestee effect in all wanted colors.

\$15.00 Women's Suits \$7.98

Stunning models in all wool Serges and Poplins, novelty broad trimmed collar, cuffs and pockets, novelty skirts and full flare jackets. Special \$7.98.

\$2.00 Battenburg Center Pieces \$1.39

Large size, beautiful showy patterns, round Battenburg Center Pieces, a practical gift.

50c Turkish Towels 39c

Large size double thread thick woven with colored border, special value 39c.

\$1.00 Knit Skirts 79c

Women's Wool Knit Skirts, shaker knit, light and dark colors, full length.

\$2.00 Leather Gauntlets \$1.49

Well adapted for driving or motor-ing, soft black leather with deep gauntlet.

75c Dressing Sacques 49c

Fancy figured Elderdawn in bright and dark colors, long sleeves, belted.

Women's \$5.00 Sweaters \$2.98

Wool Sweaters, large roll collar, belted and pockets, all colors and sizes.

\$1.50 Table Cloths 98c

Large size Mercerized Damask Cloths, dainty designs, hemstitched edges.

50c Leggings 39c

Children's Knit Leggings, all sizes and good range of colors.

\$15.00 to \$18.00 Value Evening or Party Dresses

Dainty styles in Chiffon, Georgette, Tulle, Silk and Lace Net, in the new delicate evening shades trimmed with ribbon and lace. Our underselling price for Saturday \$9.95.

\$3 Comfortables \$1.98

Large full bed size, bright colored Silkoline covered, filled with fluffy sanitary cotton.

\$1.50 Quilted Vests 98c

The comfortable silk quilted Vests (The Me Tight), makes an acceptable Xmas gift.

75c Flannelette Skirts 49c

Heavy quality striped Outing, cut full length, good value.

\$2 Bed Spreads \$1.49

Large full bed size crocheted Spreads, fringed, hemmed and scalloped edge.

Men's \$2 Gloves \$1.19

Fur Gauntlets, leather palm, corduroy and fleece lined, an elegant Xmas present.

Individuality Is Keenly Expressed In Our Display of Women's Winter Coats

\$30.00 Silk Plush Coats \$19.95

A model of decided distinction, superior quality SILK PLUSH, with deep convertible collar and deep cuffs, trimmed with beaver, guaranteed satin lining. Our underselling price \$19.95.

\$35.00 Silk Plush Coats \$24.95

An exceptional stunning style, soft deep nap, lustrous SILK PLUSH of superior quality, tailored in the newest fall style, deep collar and cuffs, satin lined, full circular style. A big value at \$24.95.

\$40.00 Silk Plush Coats \$29.95

Finest quality Balts Esquimette Plush and Velour Coats, with fur trimmed deep collar and cuffs and around bottom, full flare circular style. This value will appeal to you at \$29.95.

\$22.50 Novelty Coats \$14.95

The fabric of these coats are pleasing and very serviceable, the season's demand, Wool Velour, Boucle, Public Chevots, trimmed with Velvet, Fur and Plush, blue, brown, burgandy, green, etc., some with large cape velvet collars or deep square fur trimmed collars. A real value giving \$14.95.

Girls' \$10.00 Coats \$4.98

A large range of well wearing materials such as Eibeline, Corduroy and Novelty Tweeds, deep collars and cuffs, some fur trimmed, sizes to 14 years. Special \$4.98.

Girls' \$4.50 Coats \$2.98

Durable materials in Eibeline and fancy mixtures, some fur trimmed, all full lined, warm and serviceable, sizes to 8 years.

Women's \$15.00 Dresses \$9.95

Wool Serge Dresses, in the new popular extremely fashionable novelty plaid effects, black, blue, burgandy, navy and brown, a splendid value at \$9.95.

3 Sample Lines of Shirt Waists

Bought at an opportune time, they comprise the season's choicest novelties in Georgette, Crepe de Chine, Wash Silks, fine Voile, Organza and Batiste, each waist a masterpiece of the best New York manufacturers. Your chance to procure waists at unheard of values.

Up to \$1.50 values 98c
Up to \$3.00 values \$1.49
Up to \$4.00 values \$1.98

\$5.00 French Model Waists \$2.98

Excellent quality Georgette, plaid Tulle and Lace and Chiffon, charming combination in the very latest styles, copies of new Paris models, \$2.98.

Boys' \$6 Overcoats \$3.98

Heavy grey and blue Chinilla Overcoats, full belted and pockets with storm collars, sizes 3 to 9 years, lined throughout.

Boys' \$5.00 Overcoats \$3.48

Nobby, serviceable Coats of Novelty Scotch Tweed Mixture, back belted, loose fitting, full lined, sizes 3 to 9 years.

Boys' \$4.00 Suits \$2.98

Newest novelty mixture Suits, Norfolk or Pinch Back style, full peg knicker trousers, sizes 6 to 17 years.

Boys' \$6.50 Suits \$4.98

SOME WITH TWO PAIR TROUSERS. Novelty Mixture, home spun and heavy Tweeds, Norfolk and Pinch Back style, patch and watch pocket, well tailored, all sizes to 17 years.

FURS! SUPREME CHRISTMAS GIFT

\$3 Muffs \$1.98

Stylish and serviceable French Black Coney, large size, satin lined muffs.

\$5.00 Belgian Coney Muffs \$2.98

Belgian Coney (natural) Tiger stripe effect, large pillow shape, satin shirred lining.

\$10.00 Sets \$4.98

Extra long silk glossy hair Tiger effect Belgian Coney, barrel, pillow or melon shape Muffs with fashionable satin lined neck pieces to match.

\$12.50 Red Fox Muffs \$7.98

The charming tint of reddish brown natural RED FOX soft hair, pillow or melon shape, trimmed with head and shaggy tail.

\$15.00 Fur Sets \$9.95

"Marmot" or Russian Mink, possesses that rich and attractive appearance combined with excellent wearing qualities, pillow shape muffs, novelty shawl neck piece.

\$22.50 Red Fox Set \$14.95

Stunning, chic and graceful, genuine RED FOX sets, melon shape lined muffs, with extra long and wide neck piece, with natural head, tail and claws.

\$50.00 Jap Fox Sets \$29.95

The fur with an aristocratic look, becoming to either the young lady or her mother, genuine Japanese Fox Set, large melon shape muffs with large practical neck piece.

Children's \$4.50 Fur Sets \$2.98

Children's \$3.00 Fur Sets \$1.98

Our Busy Hosiery Department "There's a Reason" \$1.50 Silk Hose 98c

In all the season's popular shades, and combination stripes, pure thread silk, full fashioned, high spliced heel, double sole and toe.

75c Silk Hose 49c

A pronounced value giving, pure thread silk, full fashioned, high spliced heel re-enforced sole and toe, in all wanted colors.

39c Silk Boot Hose 29c

Excellent quality, high silk Boot Hose in black, white and grey, re-enforced heel and toe.

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59c \$1.29 \$1.98 \$2.98

85c Lace Curtains \$1.75 Scrim Curtains \$3.00 Scrim Curtains \$5.00

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Men's \$1.60 fancy Dress Shirts .95c

Men's \$1.50 Wool Work Shirts 98c

Men's \$3.50 Corduroy Trousers \$2.49

Men's \$4.50 Wool Sweaters ... \$2.98

\$4 Silk Petticoats \$2.79

Extra good grade Taffeta Silk in popular colors, shirred belt, fancy flounce with dust ruffle.

75c Skating Sets 49c

Novelty knitted cap with scarf to match, bright plaid and Indian designs.

Men's \$1.75 Trousers \$1.19

Excellent for either dress or work, neat striped patterns, all sizes.

Men's 39c Ties 29c

Fancy Silk four in hand Ties in holly boxes, always acceptable.

75c Corsets 49c

P. D. G. Co. special, good grade con-th, double stitched, staying with four hose supporters.

\$4.00 Carriage Robes \$2.49

Beautiful white wool Zephyr yarn, fancy knit with pink and blue trimmings.

Infants \$1.50 Sweaters 98c

Soft wool fancy woven White Sweaters, pink and blue trimmed.

\$1.50 Kimonos 98c

Good quality Crepe in fancy colored designs, shirred and Empire style.

Children's \$4.50 Dresses \$2.98

Wool Serge Dresses in blue and brown, deep sailor collar and cuffs trimmed with braid, sizes to 14.

\$1.50 Middy Blouses 98c

Made of fine white Galates, "PAUL JONES" model, deep red and cadet blue trimmed sailor collar and cuffs, novelty belt and pockets. In misses' and women's sizes.

\$4.50 Dress Skirts \$2.98

Women's Wool Serge Dress Skirts, exceptional quality, well tailored, newest styles.

Infant's \$3 Coats \$1.98

Splendid value White Corduroy Coats, pearl button trimmed, sizes to 3 years.

75c Flannelette Gowns 49c

Women's heavy Outing, close woven high and low neck, cut full and roomy.

Men's \$1 Wool Underwear 79c

Special good grade Wool Shirts and Drawers, Australian natural wool, all sizes.

Alspaugh

for a useful and durable Xmas present. Come early. adv 61

Thomas Santisch in "The Country God Forgot" Columbia Tonight

In "The Country That God Forgot" at the Columbia tonight, you will see one of the best five reel pictures of the year; it is a most unusual story of out-door life featuring Thomas Santisch, who you will remember for his wonderful work in

"The Spoilers" where he played the character of McNamee and in which picture you will readily recall his thrilling fight with William Farnum. This is one great picture and you certainly do not want to miss it, if possible, as this will be your only opportunity, the picture appearing tonight only.

So Exhibit Tonight 5c

Chapter thirteen of "The Yellow Menace" the ever thrilling

Constipation Billousness-Headache Dr. Chase's Liver Tablets

Remember the three acts, how to take without any pain, follow the directions and feel the difference after using Dr. Chase's Liver Tablets. Write for free booklet, "How to Take Dr. Chase's Liver Tablets." Dr. Chase Co., 241 N. 2nd St., Philadelphia, Pa.

and gripping serial is the leading attraction for tonight. "The Spy" and the "Submarine" is the title of this latest episode and it is more interesting and has more exciting scenes than previous installments. Ali Singh is again saved by his trusty henchmen when they shoot him through a torpedo tube of the submarine resting on the bottom of the ocean. May Manning, the girl, is dramatically mixed up in this incident and the result is highly exciting. A one reel Charlie Chaplin comedy and a one reel tennis drama complete the program. Be sure and see "Kob and Dill" in another five reel comedy Saturday entitled "The Three Pals."

At the Arcana You can't beat Red Feather

filas, no matter how hard you try or where you go. Everybody admits they are in a class by themselves—real realism and real sensationalism. For tonight Manager Potts has a thriller—a Red Feather feature, entitled, "The Isle of Life" This is a five reel drama, full of action and life, one that will teach you as great a lesson as a two hours' sermon. Come and see it tonight's program at the Arcana theatre isn't a headliner from beginning to end. The beauty part of it all is that it is only five cents.

At the Temple Tonight Temple patrons get a treat. Francis X. Bushman and Beverly Brays are the stars in "The Private Officer" a two reel Essanay drama. This is one of the

most successful dramas in which Bushman and Brays ever appeared. It is a story of army life and has a strong plot. Thomas Comanford is the main support to Bushman and Brays in this high class production. "By Right of Love" is a strong two reel Lubin drama which will be followed by "Their Dream House" a Vin comedy in which Harry C. Meyers and Rosemary They are the stars. This one real satire on the joys of married life will awaken to a responsive cord in the hearts of many a spectator. The mishaps to the beautiful home unloaded onto them by a real estate agent will remind other victims of the way they have been stung.

At the Strand Manager Welch has arranged

special music for every day next week. Special instrumental and vocal music every night besides big holiday programs of high class moving pictures. Today's big feature is a three reel Gold Seal drama featuring Ben Wilson and Neva Gerber, Gold Seal stars. They take the leading character roles in "Society Hypocrites" one of the best three reel releases on the Universal program. This duo of players are at their best in this production which teaches a good lesson, the moral being carried through the entire picture. "Kitty from the City" is the title of the special Victor comedy in which Marjorie Moore and Bob Vernon take the leading laugh producing roles.

Big Game Postponed, Auto Accident Cause

It sure was tough luck not to have the Irons bowlers arrive Thursday night when big preparations had been made to entertain them. The "near visitors" did the right thing in calling up over long distance telephone and notifying Manager Lou Diste of the local team that it would be impossible for them to bowl in Portsmouth Thursday night. The Irons team started for this city in an automobile but the machine broke down near Hingham and in here in plenty of time to play.

Rock and the party from the Nall City had to turn back. Campbell's cherties were to roll against the Elbows on the Crystal Palace alleys. A fine lunch had been prepared for the visitors but it was not to have the lunch spelt about a dozen of the bowlers in the Crystal Palace legions sent word they would be here sure next Thursday night as they would start early so if they had an accident they could walk and not in here in plenty of time to play.

Is An Old Timer

Ann Arbor, Mich., Dec. 22.—Sterling Bullock, caretaker of Perry Field club house, where the University of Michigan's football warriors dress, has been identified with Michigan athletics for 40 years.

Years ago, one of Bullock's chief duties was to mend the university football, for in those days, the institution possessed but one leather each season. Bullock and his wife also made the running legs for the track athletes.

RULES DON'T INCLUDE BRICKS

Deloit, Dec. 22.—"Willie" Heston, the greatest halfback ever developed at the University of Michigan, now is lion William M. Heston, justice of the peace, in Detroit.

One of the first cases the magistrate tried after his election had to do with football.

John Atkins, star of a team composed of negro athletes was the defendant, H. Noskovitch was the complaining witness.

Mr. Noskovitch was strolling with a friend. As they approached Brady and Antoine streets, there was a boom, a roar—a brown missile tore off Mr. Noskovitch's hat.

An argument followed, and so the parties were summoned to appear before Heston.

Mr. Noskovitch declared he didn't mind the whack on the head which he received from the football, but insisted that somebody followed up the attack with a brick and that the brick hit him where his hat had been before the football carried it away.

Heston listened patiently.

"Football is a nice game, but bricks are no part of it," he said solemnly, as he fined Atkins \$10.

To Play Notre Dame

Kalamazoo, Mich., Dec. 22.—Kalamazoo college which won the state collegiate football championship this season and which will have a veteran eleven in 1917, hopes to schedule games with Notre Dame and Wabash.

Tentative arrangements for these contests have been completed.

South Wins Honors

New York, Dec. 22.—The close of the intercollegiate football season finds both the team and individual scoring honors held by a Southern eleven and player.

A comparison of the records of the leading teams of the East, South and Middle West shows that the Georgia Tech combination scored 520 points in nine games with Georgetown University a close second with 412 while left half-back Gilroy, of Georgetown, leads the individual point collectors with a total of 129 points and Oliphant, of the Army team, is second with 112. Mauthelsh of Michigan is a close third.

13 Win Their 'I's'

Thirteen men of the Irons high school football squad were presented with letters for their work on the past season's team. The "I's" were presented by Principal Davis.

The boys who received letters were: Miltendorf, Hanes, Hayes, Felix, Lane, Schaeffer, Ball, Wilson, Davies, Prusker, Jones, Martin and Hughes.

Hanes has been elected captain of the 1917 team and Howell Fritz, manager.

Hilda Lange, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lange, of Dogwood Ridge, who has been ill for several weeks, remains about the same.

TRACK COACH RE-ENGAGED

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 22.—Leonard Frank, track coach at the University of Minnesota, has been re-engaged for another year at an increased salary.

Lowell R. Fritz, student at Heidelberg University, Tiffin, O., arrived home Wednesday to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Fritz of Dogwood Ridge.

\$220,000 GYM

East Lansing, Mich., Dec. 22.—The \$220,000 gymnasium of the Michigan Agricultural College is nearing completion. Plans also are under way for equipping the new athletic field of 200 acres. The field is on the south shore of Red Cedar river, opposite the gymnasium.

Charles A. Coburn of Boston, Mass., George Coburn of Detroit, Mich., and Frank Coburn who attends dental college in Cincinnati will spend the Christmas holidays with their parents Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Coburn at Harrisonville.

Games Tonight

The Empires will oppose Zuhar's Zebras and the Pirates will roll against Hyland's Braves in the Crystal Palace Bowling league tonight.

The honor roll for Deysey school Madison township for December. The following pupils were neither absent nor tardy during November:

AFTER "BIG NINE" SWIMMING HONORS

Chicago, Dec. 22.—Northwestern University, which set a shilling pace in the Western Conference football race last season, is developing a team to win the "Big Nine" swimming honors.

Pearl Crabtree, Ammy McCain, Desma Hickman, Adda Beadie, Amy McCain, Della Hickman, Clifford Hickman, Emma Spriggs, Floyd Crabtree, Lehman Crabtree, Damon Downey, Harvey Hickman, Loren Crabtree and Earl Bennett.

City League

An important meeting of basketball players interested in a city basketball league will be held tonight at the Club on Fourth street at 7:30 o'clock. Every team expecting to be in the league should be represented. Matters pertaining to finances for the use of a basketball floor will be discussed.

Rev. George S. Leightner, of Buena Vista, left here Thursday for Pomeroy, Ohio, and Charleston, W. Va. He will spend Christmas in the latter city with his son.

Tinker May Boss Columbus

Chicago, Dec. 22.—Joseph Tinker, former manager of the Chicago National league club, is on his way to Columbus, Ohio, today for the purpose, it is said, of continuing his negotiations for the purchase of the Columbus American Association club.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Sheln, of Dogwood Ridge, were visitors to Portsmouth, Thursday.

The Lucasville school will be closed from Friday evening until January 2, giving the school children ten days vacation.

A Christmas entertainment will be held at the Presbyterian church in Buena Vista Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. Rev. A. V. Bryan, the pastor will be in charge of the interesting program to be rendered. All are welcome.

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I want a complete young man that will wear livery to wait on a very noble gentleman, but he must know how to play on a violin or a Cello.

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If I can meet with a sober man that has a corner fence where I can help him to a place worth \$50 the year or more, Samuelson's "History of Adversity."

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Cramped muscles, or soreness following a cold or case of grippe are eased and relieved by an application of Sloan's Liniment. Does not stain the skin or clog the pores like many ointments or plasters and penetrates quickly without rubbing. Linger up your muscles after exercise, drive on the pains and aches of rheumatism, neuralgia, neuritis, sprains and bruises with Sloan's Liniment. One bottle today. At all Druggists.

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WITH THE SICK

Bird Benner engineer of Logan street, who is in Hempstead hospital recovering from an electrical shock received Wednesday afternoon at Sciotoville, was reported considerably better Friday. He will be at the hospital for about a week.

Miss Mayme Foster, stenographer at the offices of Blair and Kimble, was confined at her home Friday with an attack of the grippe.

Henry B. Cole of San Francisco, Cal., is the guest of his cousin, Mrs. H. H. Miltendorf at South Webster. This is his first visit here in seventeen years.

Miss Mayme Foster, stenographer at the offices of Blair and Kimble, was confined at her home Friday with an attack of the grippe.

Mrs. George Smith, Sr., of Dogwood Ridge tripped and fell while carrying a bucket of hot water several days ago, badly burning her left arm from the elbow to the wrist.

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Charles Graham was elected president to head the Stockdale Farmers Institute in 1917 at the closing session of the institute Thursday afternoon held in K. of P. hall in Stockdale, Wednesday and Thursday. The officers are: President, Charles Graham.

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Mr. Watkins was one of the oldest Knights of Pythias in Southern Ohio and Massie lodge, of which he was a member, frequently bestowed honors upon him. He was also a member of Portsmouth Camp, Modern Woodmen of America.

Samuel Kiefer

Samuel Kiefer, aged 51 years, a well known former Portsmouth photographer, died very suddenly at his home 147 Maynard avenue, Columbus, Thursday morning.

Miss Edith Brittain, physical directress at the Y. W. C. A. and high school, has received a telegram from Miss Katie Hancock, former general secretary of the local Y. W. C. A., that her father, P. S. Hancock, had died suddenly at his home in Falls City, Neb., Tuesday evening. Miss Hancock left the local institution August 1, this year. She has many friends here who will be sorry to hear of her loss.

Mr. Kiefer's death resulted from heart trouble. He had worked all day Wednesday in his art studio but that night had an attack. He soon felt better and seemed to have fully recovered.

Mr. Kiefer was a native of Portsmouth, a son of L. H. Kiefer of No. 1106 Third street. For many years he conducted a studio at Second and Court streets and was recognized as an artist of much ability. He located in Columbus about sixteen years ago and was a member of the Orr-Kiefer Co., of South High street, that city.

Mr. Kiefer leaves a wife, Mrs. Anna Resinger-Kiefer, formerly of Portsmouth, one son, Prof. Arthur Kiefer, who is a teacher in Tennessee and was on his way to Columbus when death overtook his father, and one daughter, Lilian, at home. Besides his aged father he is also survived by the following brothers and sisters: Rev. Robert Kiefer of Canton, Rev. Harry Kiefer of Ironton, Charles Kiefer of Dayton, Edw. Kiefer of Cincinnati and Miss Rose M. Kiefer of this city. He was a member of the Methodist church.

Mr. Kiefer was born in Portsmouth, 51 years ago. He had been in the photography business practically all his life and had been engaged in the business in Columbus for the past 21 years, first with Lane & Co., and then in the firm of Janis & Kiefer, which was changed to the Orr-Kiefer Co. when William Janis withdrew from the partnership.

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Court House

Confer On Highways
George H. Hill and Charles E. Worley, county commissioners, held a short conference with several delegates from the board of trade Friday afternoon, relative to the schedule which will be adopted for improving the county highways during the coming year. Nothing definite was decided upon.

Ealey Indictment Nollid
An indictment charging David Ealey, of near Ashland, Ky., with manslaughter, was nollid in common pleas court by Prosecuting Attorney Jos. T. Micklethwait. Ealey was indicted on several counts several months ago in connection with an automobile accident which happened near Selotville on May 16. In this accident a woman named Anna Burgess and a baby called Grover Cleveland Adkins were instantly killed. Ealey was driving the car when it turned turtle. He was tried on one indictment, charging manslaughter and was acquitted.

State vs. Harrison
The case of the State against Rolly Harrison will be heard in common pleas court Saturday morning by Judge E. E. Corn, of Ironton. Harrison is charged with carrying concealed weapons. Attorney D. K. Young represents the plaintiff.

Housley Sent To Jail
George Housley was given a

sentence of three months in the county jail Thursday afternoon by Judge Thomas, common pleas court, on a charge of carrying concealed weapons. The testimony in the case had been given and Judge Thomas was preparing to charge the jury when Judge A. Z. Blair, representing the defendant, announced that his client was prepared to change his pleading. He withdrew his former pleading and admitted his guilt.

In Cincinnati
Attorney Harry W. Miller left Friday for Cincinnati to attend some legal matters pertaining to the case in bankruptcy of the Grinnell Iron company, of that city.

Local Attorney In Case
To represent Nancy Hanks Scott, who has filed suit for divorce in the Lawrence county court of common pleas against Ralph Waldo Scott, citing as ground for the action adultery and extreme cruelty, Attorney S. Anselm Skellon went to Ironton Friday.

Judge Corn Presides
Judge E. E. Corn, Ironton, of the Lawrence county court of common pleas, came to this city Friday morning to preside on the local bench, during the absence of Judge Thomas, who was called to Peebles Thursday afternoon on account of the serious illness of his brother.

Mackay Estate \$13,767.06
An inventory and appraisal of the estate of the late Mode F. Mackay, Wheelersburg, was filed in probate court Friday by Jos. H. Brant, Ben Cranstoun and

Charles Marting, the appraisers. The report shows that the assets of the personal and real property amounts to \$13,767.06. In the partnership, which is known as the Wheelersburg Milling company, the decedent's share is valued at \$11,679.10.

York Partnership Report
The first and final report was made in the partnership of Thos. L. York and H. Hans, Friday, in probate court by Henry Ruel, who was recently appointed by Judge Thomas C. Beatty. The report shows receipts of \$5,206.96 from April to December and expenditures of \$3684.63.

Gets Box of Oranges
Henry Becker, county recorder, received a fine box of oranges from his brother-in-law, Riverside, Calif., Thursday.

Sheets Guilty; Sent To Pen
After a few moments deliberation the jury which heard the evidence in the case of the State against Rolly Sheets, charged with cutting with intent to wound, returned a verdict finding him guilty. Judge Corn, of Ironton, sentenced Sheets to the Ohio penitentiary for an indeterminate period. Sheets was arrested following a

cutting affray in Brewery Hill. Sheets went to the home of Martha Dowdy late on the evening of July 23 and became involved in an argument with the woman. A fight ensued during which Sheets cut the woman.

Judge Corn asked Prosecuting Attorney Jos. T. Micklethwait to watch the future actions of the Dowdy woman and report the same to him. Martha Dowdy is a paroled prisoner from the reformatory.

Attorney George W. Sheppard represented the defendant.

Allowed Temporary Alimony
Temporary alimony in the sum of \$35 per month was allowed Mariel May, who recently filed suit in common pleas court against Arios May, asking for alimony. Judge Corn, Ironton, allowed the temporary alimony. Blair and Kimble represented the plaintiff and Bannon and Bannion the defense.

Eight Applications
Eight applications for the appointment of county commissioners to fill the unexpired term of the late Thomas W. Watkins have been filed with the committee, which will have charge of the appointment.

GRANTED TRANSFERS TO ELM GROVE

Dixie Smith, Nora Noel, Anna Schwartz, Elizabeth Schwartz, Sallie Killen, Cora Gray, Carrie Lauerman and Alma Holbrook have been granted transfers from River City Grove W. O. W. Circle to Elm Grove W. O. W. Circle.

Schools Close For Week

The public schools closed Friday afternoon for the annual Christmas and New Years vacation. School will be resumed on Tuesday January 2. Christmas programs and entertainments were held in many of the grammar grades.

FALLS INTO A PIT; FRACTURES FEET

C. H. Lewis, a carpenter in the employ of the Dravo Construction company, New Boston, had several small bones in his feet fractured Friday afternoon, when he fell into a new soaking pit, which is being built at the Whitaker-Glessner company's plant. Lynn's ambulance was called and the injured man was removed to his home on Gallia street, this city.

The fractures were reduced by Drs. H. A. Schirrmann and W. D. Schafer.

TALKED ON FREE TEXT BOOKS

On account of bad weather the Bible and all present enjoyed there was only a fair attendance at the Jr. O. U. A. M. meeting young member of New Boston Thursday evening. Attorney A. Council No. 288, made a talk on R. Campbell, Sr., of Vanceburg. Council of the Jr. O. U. A. M. Smith is a school teacher in the New Boston schools. C. C. Truitt gave a splendid and interesting talk on "Bible History." Mr. Campbell is a man well read on

BARBER SHOPS OPEN XMAS MORNINGS

Charles Russell, secretary of the Journeymen Barbers' Union, announced Friday that all Union shops in the city would be open Christmas, Monday morning, until 10 o'clock.

Mrs. Nancy Norton Scott Is Awarded A Divorce

Judge Grimes, of Jackson county, during a brief session of court at Ironton Friday granted a decree to Mrs. Nancy Hanks-Scott, wife of Ralph Scott, of Portsmouth.

Mrs. Scott was also given custody of their only child, Richard Norton Scott, aged 3 years. The question of alimony was left to the attorneys. Anselm Skellon of Portsmouth for Mrs. Scott and L. R. Andrews of Ironton for Mr. Scott.

The divorce suit brought by

Mrs. Scott, who before her marriage was Miss Nancy Norton has attracted considerable attention owing to the prominence of the principals. She sued on the grounds of extreme cruelty. Mr. Scott is a traveling salesman for the Ironton Portland Cement company.

Order that case of delicious "CRYSTAL GOLD" beer for your Christmas dinner now. Call the Brewery. Phone 94, for prompt delivery.

The divorce suit brought by

Hearing the End---And Going Fast

ONE MORE

SHOPPING DAY

and then

Christmas



Merry Xmas



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For those who have purchased holiday articles here, there remains yet the happiness of giving them to their friends. Each article will carry with it the Christmas spirit, for its goodness is of an unquestioned fact, its style the last word in the fashion world, while it is backed up with character---the dependable kind that shows you are thoughtful in your selections.

A Word To The Late Shopper

Bath Robes and Lounging Robes

An unlimited supply and the very colors he likes best. We have the nicest assortment in the city and we are quite sure in the knowledge that the moderate prices will surprise you when compared with the values offered. A bath robe or lounging robe makes a most appropriate present. We have them

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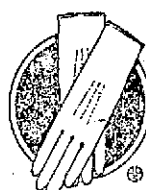
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You can wear 'em on both sides, big value 50c

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Almost every kind and every style. A selection from which we know you can find his favorite make and kind. Gloves that will wear well and serve their purpose amazingly well.

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BOYS' GLOVES, all kinds 75c to \$1

The Criterion Clothing Co.

THIRD AND CHILLICOTHE STREETS

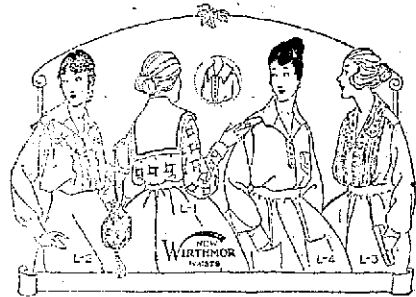
WHERE THE STYLES COME FROM

P. H. S. Review Is Out Xmas Packages Left

The first edition of the "P. H. S. Review" came off the high school press Friday and was distributed among the high school pupils who have been anxiously awaiting the first appearance of

the high school paper. It is printed in book form and will be bound once a month. The book contains notes on all high school subjects. W. B. Anderson, Jr., is editor in chief of the "Review."

Express messengers of N. & W. train No. 16 which arrived here Friday noon said that they were forced to leave behind 21 truck loads of Christmas boxes at Columbus that were consigned to Portsmouth, their various cars being packed to capacity.



Gave Her A Wirthmor Waist

Price \$1.00 Each

They are always worth more, but the price is always the same. Another reason why you should buy a Wirthmor is that the style is always new and they are never duplicated, but fresh each week.

This Week 4 New Styles Are Ready For Your Choosing

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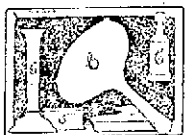
Furs Make A Handsome Gift

and our splendid collection of stylish pieces makes it easy for you to make a proper selection. Good furs and each piece sold with a guarantee of satisfaction.

Sets for Children, Misses and Women

Come To **Marting's** For Furs

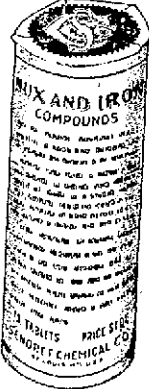
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IVORY BRUSHES
IVORY COMBS
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We pride ourselves for one of the nicest assortments in the city and prices that will make you want to buy. Every piece guaranteed.

Stewart's Cut Rate



Saturday's Specials

\$1.00 Wine of Cardui 63c
50c King's New Discovery 34c
50c Pearlless Kidney Pills 29c
\$1.00 Finney's Kidney Remedy
for 59c
25c Edwards' Olive Tablets 14c
10c Edwards' Olive Tablets 6c
50c Sloan's Liniment 33c

918 GALLIA STREET

WE WILL PRESENT EACH BUYER AT OUR TOILET COUNTER ONE OF THESE PACKAGES

FREE



Saturday's Specials

25c Carter's Liver Pills 13c
25c Black Draught 13c
25c Senreco Tooth Paste 13c
50c Pompeian Massage Cream
for 37c
35c Pompeian Night Cream 25c
\$1.00 Nuxiated Iron 67c
25c Sloan's Liniment 15c

HOME PHONE 46

Christmas Stationery

See our Christmas Crepe Paper
10 ft. long 8c; two for 15c

Gallia Street
The Busy Street



Tomorrow Saturday SPECIAL Overcoat SALE \$10.00

Fancy Novelty Pinch Back, Regular \$15.00 Coat



AL HANNUM, Manager

To Late Shoppers

If you have delayed buying a present for him, you can supply your wants quickly by coming here

Men's Furnishings

Neckwear, Silk Shirts, Initial Handkerchiefs, Fancy Hosiery, Mufflers, Sweaters, Kid Gloves, etc.
Remember, we sell nothing but

Union Made Goods

WITH THE LABEL

A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU ALL
Edelson Bros.

Successors to

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306 Chillicothe St.

Al Hannum, Manager

BABY NEGLECTED, IS DEAD

Coroner Dr. J. W. Daehler was called to a shantyboat at the foot of the county infirmary Friday to investigate the death of the four-day-old son of Mrs. Annie Wagner, aged 27 years.

The child died Thursday noon but as no physician had attended the mother either before or after the birth, John Berndt, clerk of the board of health, refused to issue death certificate when a friend of the woman applied for the

same. Dr. Daehler found no marks of violence on the body or any evidence of foul play and returned a verdict that death was due to premature birth and lack of care.

Mrs. Wagner said she was a native of Mason county, Ky., and that she was married to Charles Wagner at Maysville last December but that she was unaware of his present whereabouts. The baby's body will be buried in the county infirmary graveyard.



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We make them better. Ask a friend who owns a pair.

Bennett-Babcock Optical Co.
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Peerless Rink open Christmas, both afternoon and evening. adv 22-24

Boy Scout News

Thursday Night's Games
Four fast and interesting basketball games were played in Boy Scout circles last night with the following results:

Tigers, 21; Covenanters, 8. Reds, 12; All Stars 5. West End 14; Juniors, 1. Reds, 22; Evangelicals, 6.

The Tiger-Covenanter game was exceedingly interesting in the first half with Fortner and Smith featuring for the winners. George and Englebrecht for the losers. The Reds put up two swell games and are in fine shape for the opener next week.

Troop Inspection Tonight
Tonight is Inspection Night for Troop 2 at Trinity church. This troop will be inspected by the scout commissioner and the boys will also celebrate with a Christmas program. The meeting starts promptly at 7 o'clock. Let every member be out.

Basket Brigade Attention
All scouts who are donating baskets for the needy are requested to be at Boys' Headquarters Saturday morning at 8:30, and not later than 9. The committee wishes to get all baskets delivered before noon.

CHRISTMAS PHOTOS

If you want a picture of children and their Xmas tree phone 427 L. J. L. Sargent. 24

TERMINALS

Roosevelt Watkins, N. & W. Ker-Glessner company, left Friday section laborer, who lives at Suffolk, Va., was assisting in unloading cinder from a car of work extra 935 at Waverly Thursday and the train moved ahead, causing him to fall, striking his right jaw on the car, badly bruising it. He was taken to the camp cars at Waverly and Dr. O. C. Andre was called and dressed his wounds.

C. E. Ault, N. & W. agent of Norwood will spend Christmas in Columbus with relatives.

Orville and Garland Booth, children of Mr. and Mrs. Benton Booth, of Gallia street, left Friday for Virginia, where they will visit their grandmother, Mrs. Frank Booth.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Rink, of Gallia street, is seriously ill with whooping cough.

Elbert Willis, of Gallia street, who is employed with the White-

for Garrison, Ky., where he will visit relatives during the Christmas holidays.

The East End M. E. church will hold its first quarterly meeting since the organization of the church, Saturday evening at 7:30. The district superintendent, Rev. J. B. Hawk, will have charge of the service. Rev. O. L. King is anxious that every member of the church plan to be present at this service as it will have an important bearing on the raising of funds for the new church building.

Order that case of delicious CRYSTAL GOLD beer for your Christmas dinner now. Call the Brewery. Phone 94, for prompt delivery. 20-4t

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Keeps Her Children In Perfect Health

Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin the Family Laxative for Many Years.

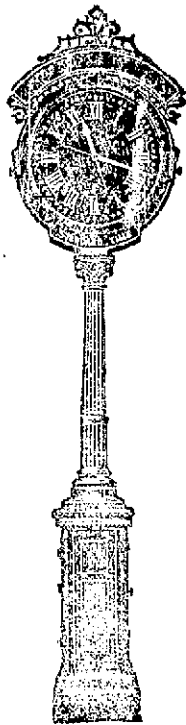
Mrs. Aug. Doellefeld of Carlyle, Ill. recently wrote to Dr. Caldwell, at Monticello, Ill. that she has used Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin in her home for a number of years, and would not be without it, as with it she has been able to keep her four children in perfect health.

Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin is a combination of simple laxative herbs with pepsin that acts on the bowels in an easy, natural way, and regulates the action of this most important function. Nearly all the sickness to which children are subject is traceable to bowel function, and a mild, dependable laxative, such as Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin should have a place in every family medicine chest. It is pleasant to the taste and children like it, and take it readily, while it is equally effective for adults.

Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin is sold in drug stores everywhere for



fifty cents a bottle. To avoid imitations and ineffective substitutes be sure you get Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin. See that facsimile of Dr. Caldwell's signature and his portrait appear on the yellow carton in which the bottle is packed. A trial bottle, free of charge, can be obtained by writing to Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 455 Washington St., Monticello, Illinois.



The Big
Clock
Third and
Chillicothe

Albert Zoellner Jeweler

A glimpse of the treasure trove of "worth while" merchandise here awaiting gift.

A buyer's GOOD Jewelry, GOOD Silverware, GOOD Diamonds, GOOD Watches, etc. Each with the prestige of the Albert Zoellner name, standing for QUALITY.

Yet remember it costs no more to buy at "Albert Zoellner's" and it is so satisfactory.

Bracelet Watches

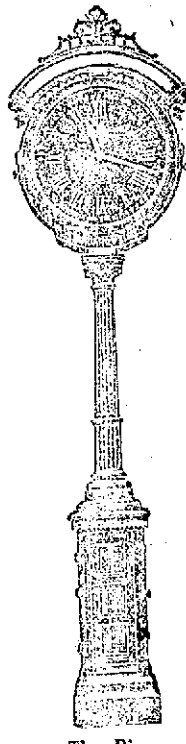
From the world's best watchmakers, and a complete assortment at the price you wish to pay, in the style you prefer. Solid gold, \$25.00 to \$60.00.

Gold filled \$10.00 to \$25.00. Platinum mountings up to \$175.00.

La Vallieres

Fine Diamond La Vallieres in solid gold settings, beautifully designed.

\$6.00, \$8.00, \$10.00, \$12.00, \$15.00, \$20.00 up to \$75.00.



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Third and
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OPEN EVENINGS

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THIRD AND CHILICOTHE

It Will Prove

A Constant Pleasure

to the

CHILDREN

Enroll them as members of our big enthusiastic

CHRISTMAS SAVINGS CLUB

and let them acquire the habit of saving

They will enjoy the idea of saving money for Christmas. The weekly deposits will keep the Christmas spirit alive the year round, and when they get checks from "Santa Claus" they will be delighted.

IT'S JUST AS MUCH FUN FOR THE GROWN-UPS

Enroll and set the children an example in THRIFT. Let everyone in the family join and all will have money to make next Christmas

A Merry Christmas

in the fullest sense for themselves, their families and their friends.

Everybody Enroll Now

The Central National Bank

Gallia Street

Portsmouth, O.

Who Will Help Give Kiddies Xmas Treat?

Donations of candy and fruit are solicited for the inmates of the children's home, Frank M. Baggs, superintendent stated Friday.

Cash donations sufficient to purchase toys for the youngsters have been received. There will be a large Christmas tree for the children and a big turkey dinner.

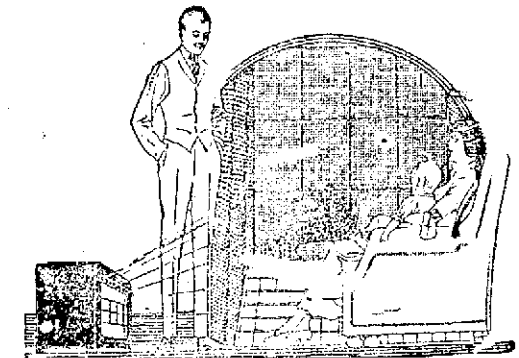
Marting 127 1008 Gay street, early Thursday morning will be held Saturday afternoon from the Allen Chapel A. M. E. church on Seventh street at two o'clock with Rev. John Irvin in charge. Interment will be made in Greenlawn.

Totals 739 792 770

Mrs. Metcalf's Funeral

The funeral of Mrs. Grant Metcalf, who died at her home

Sober and competent workmen with Brehmer, the Painter. 14f



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A charming wife, a cooing baby, a warm, cozy home—what more could a man want?

A Gas Room Heater Brings You Warm Comfort

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John McMillan
Superintendent

BOWLING

MASONIC LEAGUE Standing

	W.	L.	Pct.
Giants	21	3	87.5
Cement Specialists	16	8	66.7
Ironsides	16	8	66.7
Spiders	15	9	62.5
Ivory Knobs	14	10	58.3
Boxalls	9	12	42.9
Cornshuckers	9	15	37.5
Submarines	6	17	26.3
Clad Hoppers	6	18	25.0
Bald Eagles	5	19	20.8

Games Next Week

Submarines vs. Bald Eagles, Tuesday.
Clad Hoppers vs. Cornshuckers, Tuesday.
Cement Specialists vs. Giants, Thursday.
Ivory Knobs vs. Spiders, Friday.
Boxalls vs. Ironsides, Friday.

	1	2	3
Ivory Knobs	178	175	178
Sprague	143	137	139
York	115	124	122
Jayton	115	124	122
Zetmann	151	212	158
Young	125	125	125
Blind	125	125	125
Totals	712	773	765
Cornshuckers	1	2	3
Briggs	147	155	140
Belton	132	145	136
Stratton	172	183	173
Johnson	183	181	150
Blind	125	125	125

PHONE 285.

CALL US TONIGHT IF POSSIBLE. ORDERS GIVEN TONIGHT WILL GO OUT ON FIRST DELIVERY SATURDAY MORNING OPEN TILL 9 O'CLOCK TONIGHT

JANSEN'S CUT-RATE GROCERY!

Pure Cane Sugar Many grocers are now selling Beet Sugar and charging the Cane Sugar price. When you buy sugar be sure it is cane if you pay for the best. Special 25 pound cotton bags pure cane sugar **\$2.00**

CHIPPED BEEF
Largest glasses 25c
Medium size 15c
Small size 10c

APPLE BUTTER
Large glass jars, positively pure, better than home made, special 25c
Pure Jelly, per glass 10c

BREAKFAST FOODS
Shredded Wheat, 2 boxes 25c
Krumbs, per package 9c
Washington Crisp, 3 boxes 25c
Kellogg's, 3 boxes 25c
Post Toasties, 3 boxes 25c
Puffed Wheat, per package 12c
Puffed Rice, per package 15c
Pette John Rolled Wheat 15c
Maple Flake, box 12c
Mother's Oats, box 9c
Quaker Oats, box 9c
American Beauty Oats 9c
Red Bird Oats, 3 boxes 25c

BEANS (NEW)
Navy Hand Picked, pound 15c
Marrowfat, pound 15c
Lima Beans, 2 pounds 25c
Cranberry Beans, 2 pounds 25c
Pink Beans, 2 pounds 25c

SWANS DOWN FLOUR
If you can't bake a good cake try this flour. You can't miss it. Per package 25c

SOAP
Star, Ivory, Fels, P. K. G., Grand Pa's, Octagon, Easy Task, Fairy, Clean Easy, Borax Soap 10 bars 45c
Octagon Powder, Star Powder, Rub-N-More Powder 10 boxes 45c

BROOMS
Extra good special 30c
Mop, special 25c

RED BIRD COFFEE
We guarantee this coffee to be equal to any 30c coffee on the market. Special per pound 25c

GAS MANTLES
Upright 2 for 15c
Inverted, 2 for 25c

POTATOES
Home grown potatoes, extra fine, peck 48c
Sweet Potatoes, genuine Jersey, per peck 60c

ONIONS
Large, sound, very mild, just fine. Special per one-half peck 30c

EGGS
Every egg guaranteed. Special per dozen, while they last 48c

PICKLES
Sweet Pickles, bottle 10c
Large Jumbo, sour, per dozen 15c
Large, sweet, per dozen 12c

COCOA
Baker's 1-2 pound can 25c
Baker's 10c can 9c
Lowney's 1-2 pound can 25c
Lowney's 10c can 9c
Hershey's 1-2 pound can 19c
Hershey's 1 pound can 35c
Hershey's 10c size 3 for 25c

VINEGAR
Pure Apple Vinegar, special per gal. 20c

CORN STARCH
Make a corn starch pudding for a change, it's cheap and it's good; special, 3 boxes for 25c

COFFEE
Special for Today, 2 pounds fine fresh Coffee for 35c

NEW GOODS
New Prunes, extra large, per pound 20c
New Prunes, medium, per pound 15c
New Peaches, per pound 10c
New Raisins, per package 10c
New Currants, per package 15c
New Mince Meat, 3 packages 25c
New Citron, per pound 25c
New Rolled Oats, loose, per pound 5c
New Oat Meal, loose, per pound 5c
New Barley, loose, 2 pounds 15c
New Rice, broken, pound 5c
New Rice, Japan, 2 pounds 15c
New Rice, California, 3 pounds 25c
New Figs, per package 10c
New Dates, per package 15c
New Citron, pound 25c
Flake Hominy, pound 5c

PEANUT BUTTER
Loose 2 pounds 25c
Large jars, each 25c

MATCHES
Six boxes for 25c

PAN CAKE FLOUR
Aunt Jemima's 10c
Aunt Jemima's Buckwheat 10c
Virginia Sweet, 3 boxes 25c
Teko 10c

PURE LARD
No. 2 Buckets 40c
No. 4 Buckets 75c
No. 10 Buckets \$1.90

HERE
The best substitute for milk you ever bought.
8 large cans 25c
6 small cans 25c

BAKING POWDER
Royal 1 pound box 40c; 1-2 pound box 25c
Davis O. K. 1 pound boxes 18c
Good Luck Baking Powder, special, 3 cans for 25c
Rumford's Baking Powder, per pound 20c

CHICKEN FEED
For old chickens, 8 pounds for 25c

Buckwheat, four pounds 25c
Graham Flour, per pound 5c
Yellow Meal, 3 pounds 10c
White Meal, 3 pounds 10c

NEW CANNED GOODS
Good Corn, per can 10c
Best Corn, 2 cans 25c
Best Peas, 2 cans 25c
Good Peas, per can 10c
Best Tomatoes, 2 cans 25c
Asparagus 15 and 25c can
Kraut, per can 15c
Beets, 3 cans 25c
Pumpkin, 3 cans 25c
Pineapple 15 and 25c can
Blackberries, 2 cans 25c
Tuna Fish, potted, per can 10c

ARGO STARCH
6 small boxes for 97c
1 large 5 pound box 25c

MACARONI
Loose 2 pounds 15c
6 small boxes 25c
3 large boxes 25c

TOILET PAPER
6 regular 5c rolls for 25c
3 regular 10c rolls for 25c

ROME BEAUTY APPLES
Good cookers and good eaters, special per peck 30c

LUNCH SPECIALS
Boiled Ham, per pound 35c
Red Bird Salmon, 2 cans 25c
Pink Salmon, per can 10c
Oil Sardines, 6 boxes 27c
Mustard Sardines, 6 boxes 27c
Argo Salmon, 2 cans 35c
Kipper Herring, per box 10c

SYRUP
1-2 gallon Red American Beauty 25c
1 gallon Red American Beauty 50c
1-2 gallon White 25c
1 gallon White 50c



Competition Flour

When we say Competition flour is the best flour in the world we mean just that very thing. You can really get from two to three more loaves of bread out of every sack than you can out of ordinary flour. You will find the bread stays fresh just twice as long as bread does that is made from other flours. You will have whiter bread; you will have sweeter bread, and to make a long story short you can make better bread from this flour than any flour you ever bought, and last but not least the price is lower than low grade flour. Special for Saturday per barrel \$10; per sack **\$1.25**

CARNATION MILK
This is the milk you read so much about. It is without any exception the finest canned milk on the market; special
Four large cans 50c
Eight small cans 50c

GRAPE FRUIT
Nice size 4 for 25c
Lemons, per dozen 20c
Oranges, sweet, per dozen 20c
Bananas, very large, per dozen 15c

PIE FILLS
Pumpkin, 3 cans for 25c
Mince Meat, 3 boxes for 25c
Blackberries, 2 cans 25c
Red Raspberries, 2 cans 25c
Peaches, 3 cans 25c
Cocoanut, 3 packages 25c
Lemons, per dozen 20c
Cranberries, quart 12c
Apples, peck 30c
Apricots, can 20c
Cherries, can 20c

CHEESE
Limburger, per pound 30c
Cream, per pound 25c

BREAKFAST BACON
Best grade lean, just fine, per pound 23c
California Hams, special per pound 15c
Pickled Pork, just fine, per pound 17½c

CRANBERRIES
Just received a fresh shipment Cape Cod, special per quart 12c

BUTTER
Best Creamery, per pound 45c
Oleomargarine, per pound 20c

CLEANSERS
Old Dutch 3 cans for 25c
Light House 6 cans for 25c
Keen Kleener 6 cans for 25c

PET MILK
Three large 35c
Six Small 35c
Eagle Brand, 2 for 35c

CRACKERS
Best Butter, per pound 12½c
Jersey Butters, per pound 10c
Ginger Snaps, per pound 10c
Graham Wafers, per pound 12½c
Pretzels, per pound 15c
Macaroon Snaps, per pound 18c
Cocoanut Cakes, per pound 18c

NUTS
English-Walnuts, new nuts, per pound 25c
Peanuts, fresh roasted, per quart, 10c

COD FISH
Cod Fish, per pound 15c
Also fish flakes, per box 10c

Disgusting Conditions Are Revealed By Police Officer

The far-reaching effect of one's imagination was experienced by Sergeant John Smith after investigating a complaint Thursday. Smith had been detailed to hunt for the carcass of a cow in Nektown. Someone had given him the wrong address and he spent almost the entire forenoon in the search before he finally discovered the cause of the complaint. It was a dead cow in a stable at the rear of Mrs. Ellen Hudson's home, 1104 Front street. One-fourth of the carcass had already been devoured by hogs. The remainder was covered with a piece of canvas. The stench as Smith lifted the covering was unbearable. Mrs. Hudson contended that the cow had accidentally killed itself in getting its horns fastened in the stall, while the complainants claimed that the cow had died of a disease two weeks ago and that Mrs. Hudson was allowing her hogs to feed upon the carcass. Smith reported

his findings to Health Officer Dr. W. W. Smith. Going to a restaurant an hour later for dinner, Sergeant Smith ordered a beef roast. He just prepared

to feast on it, when he suddenly recalled the dead cow. Without taking a single bite, he paid for the meal and has been talking "tummy" ache ever since.

Vanceburg Notes

Current news events of Vanceburg, Ky., of local interest, include the appointment of Harvey Parker, Jr., as an aide-camp on Governor Stanley's staff with the rank of colonel. Charles Miller, aged 38, a former Vanceburg citizen, died in Chicago of gangrene and lock-jaw resulting from frozen feet. His remains were buried at Clarksville, Ky.

Frank Overy, 20, whose boyhood days were spent in Vanceburg, has been dismissed in Cincinnati of the charge of murdering William Fickler, the trial judge, holding the killing was done in self-defense. The young man is a son of Dr. Frank Overy, of Cincinnati.

Jack Elliott, a well-known horse-trainer, while riding home from Vanceburg, Monday evening, collapsed in the saddle and fell to the ground dead. Coroner H. M. Burtram rendered a verdict that he came to his death from acute alcoholism. He leaves a wife and seven children.

The Court of Appeals has affirmed the decision of the Lewis circuit court in the Harry Morgan case. Morgan was convicted at the May term on the charge of having carnal knowledge of a female under sixteen years of age, namely Sallie Keton, a niece of Morgan's wife, who made her home with them. He was given a ten years' sentence, but is still in the Lewis county jail, and it is said his attorneys will ask for a rehearing.

M. L. Dentley, of Portsmouth, visited his daughter, Mrs. William Irwin and attended the funeral of Jacob Schultz last Monday.

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Jerry Massie, one of the young men injured in the big automobile accident near Wheelersburg some weeks ago which cost the life of Floyd Fields, was removed from Hempstead hospital back to his home at Eighth street and Kendall avenue by Lynn's ambulance Thursday afternoon. He has not fully recovered from the effects of his injuries, although steadily improving.

FREE! FREE!
A beautiful Souvenir Piano stick pin, World Wide Favorites song book, and a copy of "Oleantary" March, written and arranged by Floyd E. Stearnes of the Baldwin Piano company, Free, to all callers, as long as they last, during Xmas week. None given to children unless accompanied by their parents. Baldwin Co., Pianos. No. 522 Chillicothe St. 18-6t

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ATTENTION U. B.'S

We are counting on Y.O.U. next Sunday. Remember the campaign for hundreds is now on. We have gotten the first hundred but we need nine hundred more. We need you—you need us.

If you have not been attending ask those who have. Something doing every Sunday. Next Sunday the music will be in charge of "The Messengers of Cheer"

chess taught by Fred Larcamp. Professor Mastrapaolo will play for us. Each child present will be remembered with a Christmas treat. At six o'clock our Christmas program "White Gifts for the King" will be rendered. Why not make Sunday the banner Sunday for the year in attendance. We are counting on you. I. B. THOMPSON, Sup.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT U. B. SUNDAY

A fine treat for the children at 9 a. m. Special music, both instrumental and vocal for the S. S. Mastrapaolo orchestra will be in evidence again. Come and swell the numbers and join in the last Christmas in 1916 and

possibly the very last one for you. A special Christmas sermon by the pastor, Rev. O. L. Barnigrover, at the morning hour, 10:30, and a special programme in the evening, beginning at 6 o'clock. Welcome to the Cosmopolitan church, corner Seventh and Gay.

GRANDVIEW AVE. C. C. NOTES

Sunday, Dec. 24, at the close of bible study our Christmas program will be rendered. The committee in charge has carefully griddled the little ones and they have a short but very good exercise. All members are urged to be present, especially the primary and junior departments as we will have a sack of nice sweet candy for you. W. W. AILES.

1912 CLASS WILL HOLD REUNION

Wednesday evening, December 27, the 1912 class of Portsmouth high school will hold a reunion at the home of Mrs. John Lowry on Offshore street. The class has not failed to hold a reunion each year since graduation.



Make A Handsome

Xmas Gift

Gorgeous Blooming Plants
Such as Primulae, Yellow and White Narcissus
AZALAE, POINSETTIAS, VALLEY LILIES, CYCLAMENS, BEGONIAS, ETC.
CUT FLOWERS
ROSES, CARNATIONS, VIOLETS, SWEET-PEAS, LILIES, VALLEY LILIES, CHRYSANTHEMUMS, ETC.
HOLLY WREATHS, XMAS BASKETS

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Select Gifts

For All the Family This Week

Women's and Misses'

Fur Coats

Suits, Dresses, Waists, Hats, Raincoats, Skirts

Girls' and Children's Coats

Men's Overcoats

Raincoats, Suits, Hats, Trousers

Boys' Overcoats, Raincoats, Suits

No matter how busy our salespeople are, helping people pick out their holiday apparel, they never forget to be courteous, pleasant and painstaking. That's why the credit service of The Liberty has come to be called "Cheerful Credit"—and why thousands of people have learned to prefer our charge account system.

CHEERFUL CREDIT TO ALL
Open Evenings Till Christmas

The Liberty Suggests Sensible GIFTS for all The Family



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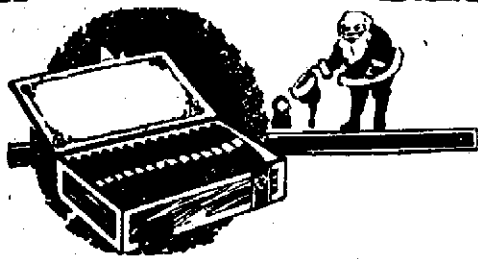
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You and your family and friends are invited to Bigelow church tonight to enjoy the Christmas cantata, entitled "Santa Claus and Company." The evening's program will begin promptly at 7:30 o'clock. Come early and get a good seat.

The cantata is to be given by the pupils of the Sunday school. All have been drilled for several weeks and each knows his or her part well, so you are promised a splendid program, one worth coming miles to see.

The entertainment will consist of many musical numbers, including selections by a chorus numbering from forty to fifty voices. There will also be solos, duets, trios and quartets too numerous to mention. The auditorium of the church, in which the program is to be given, has been most beautifully decorated, in keeping with the Christmas season. All are invited.

The cast of characters is as follows:
Mildred, a child of the rich—Sarah Louise Walker.
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Sparkle—Eleanor Swishelm.
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Mr. Williams To Get Autos For Street Choir

Rev. George P. Horst, pastor of the Second Presbyterian church, who inaugurated the Christmas Eve choir, has named John E. Williams to look after the supplying of touring cars to carry the singers Sunday evening when they make their rounds to the different city, county, public and private institutions.

"The city hospital will not likely be included in our visits this year, as the singing was said to have disturbed the patients last year," said Rev. Horst, Friday. Not only will institutions be visited, but stops will be made on various street corners, two songs, "Holy Night" and "Joy to the World" being rendered at each stop.

The third, and final practice, will be held about 8:30 o'clock Sunday evening after the regular service at the Second church. All are welcome to join the happy throng of singers and spread Christmas joy city-wide Christmas Eve.

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Wants Information About Boxing
The Times is in receipt of a letter from Leo P. Flynn, 328 East Fourteenth street, New York city, asking for information concerning clubs that are holding boxing matches.

SURPRISE PROGRAM

A surprise Christmas program will be given at the First Baptist Sunday school Sunday morning. Each class when called upon will give a special number. Each class is expected to have something different, no class knowing what the other class is going to render. At this service an effort will be made to raise \$250 to pay for the lighting system in the new church. At the Sunday evening service there will be several special Christmas musical numbers.

Joseph, the House of the Fish and Oyster House. Oysters strictly fresh 38c and 50c per quart; Steak Fish 18c; Oat Fish 20c; Rabbits, dressed, very fine, 25c; Chickens, young, celery, extra fine. No orders too small. Phone 814-L, 10th and Lincoln. 22-nx<

Ottino Passes Exam

According to a dispatch from Columbus, Elmer Ottino, former Portsmouth boy, successfully passed the civil service examination and is now among those who are eligible for the appointment to the position as inspector for the State Liquor Commission.

Out of two hundred applicants, only fifty secured passing grades. Of these twenty-three appointments are to be made.

Was In Columbus

R. E. Scott, passenger agent for the Norfolk and Western railroad, returned from a short business trip to Columbus Thursday evening.

Gets a Turkey

Attorney B. F. Kimble is going to have a big turkey dinner on Christmas. The turkeys is a gift of Postmaster H. C. Brown, of Manchester.

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PROPRIETRESS OF RESTAURANT, HER WAITRESS AND MAN ARE ARRESTED

Patrolman George Harding raided the Owl restaurant in the Biggs House block Friday morning at one o'clock, arresting the proprietress, Elizabeth Arms, her waitress, Maud Hodge and a farmer giving the name of James Hayslip.

Mrs. Arms was charged with running a disorderly place, and the other two with visiting a disorderly place. Harding had discovered Hayslip and the Hodge woman in a room back of the restaurant kitchen. The two women were locked up, while Hayslip secured his release on a \$10 cash bond, which he forfeited by failing to appear in police court.

Mrs. Arms pleaded not guilty to the charge against her, and claimed that when she left the kitchen to go out into the dining room to wait upon several men who had ordered sandwiches. Mrs. Hodge was busy cutting bread, and that Hayslip had slipped back into the kitchen and to the room at the rear unnoticed by her. She said the first she knew of anything wrong taking place, was when the officer stepped in and called her attention to the couple. She said because of her limited means and to save rent, she had partitioned off a bed room in the rear of the kitchen, enclosing it with curtains. She said she was divorced from her husband, who is living in Kentucky.

Mrs. Arms in answer to the court claimed she never knew the Hodge woman before. She was advised that she would be better off not to have her around her place.

Mrs. Hodge admitted being in the back room with Hayslip but denied having entered Mrs. Arms' bedroom. She is the wife of Rastus Hodge who was arrested Thursday afternoon on a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses preferred by Mrs. Samuel Cutlip of Fourth street. She had been working at the restaurant for only a week.

The mayor continued the hearing until evening in order to receive the testimony of the arresting officer. Mrs. Arms was permitted to return to her place of business after leaving \$4 security for her appearance tonight but Mrs. Hodge was returned to the female ward.

On a Visit
E. E. Johnson, former chief clerk in the local B. & O. office, now company agent at Athens, O., arrived here Thursday for a week's vacation visit.

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Takes Job As Chef.
Dave Reider resumed his former position as chef at the Palace restaurant Thursday, relieving Henry Deering, who has again taken up his regular duties as waiter.

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SANTA CLAUS LETTERS

Dear Old Santa Claus—There are three of us. Our names are Marie, Madeline and Wilda. Marie wants a doll and a pair of shoes, some nuts and oranges. Madeline wants a doll, some hair ribbons, a doll bed and a pair of shoes. Wilda wants a doll and a pair of shoes. We are going to school every day. Your loving little girls, MARIE, MADELINE and WILDA REYNOLDS.

Dear Santa—Please bring me a wagon, a train which will run on a track, and two story books. Please don't forget my two dear little sisters. They both want a doll and a buggy and some dishes. I am your good little boy HOWARD SEITZ, 1896 Eleventh St.

Dear Santa—We are two little girls six and nine years old and would like to have a doll, a train, a set of dishes and lots of candy and nuts. From AVAN, ELIE and ALBERTA GUILLEY. P. S.—Don't forget our little friend, Anna Sarah Barber.

Dear Santa Claus—I will write and tell you what I want for Xmas. I am a good little boy and go to school every day. I want a drum, a hobby horse, a horn, a gun and lots of candy and nuts. From your little friend, ORLA MORGAN.

P. S.—Don't forget my little school mates. I will leave the front door open for you.

Dear Santa Claus—We are two little girls. We are twins. Dear Santa bring us a doll, a ring, some stockings, some candy and oranges, nuts, and Santa don't forget Mary. We are eleven years old. Your little girls, EDNA and MAY FUNK, 3733 Rhodes Avenue, New Boston, Ohio.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl 5 years old. I would like to have a piano, a stool, a set of dishes, a little white horse and a telephone. Don't forget my little brother Charles. He wants a telephone, a white horse, an Irish mail. He is 3 years old. Don't forget Annabelle. She wants a little Brownie suit, a little set of furs. Don't forget to bring us some candy, nuts and oranges. I will keep the front door open so you won't have to come down the chimney. I live at 2139 Eighth St.

Dear Old Santa Claus—I am a good little boy. I live at Garrison, Ky. Please send me a Ford and a girl to ride with me. Your old friend, G. W. SHAMBLE, 204 Ohio Avenue.

P. S.—4 gallons gasoline and some candy.

My Dear Santa—As Xmas is almost here, I thought I would write and tell you what to bring me. I am a little girl, eighteen years old. I want a cap and scarf and a pair of leggings, a garret ring, just lots of candy and fruit and anything else you can spare. Please don't forget my sister, Garnet Lindermann. She is eleven and wants lots of pretty things. As ever your friend, MABEL SAYLOR.

Dear Santa Claus—I want a big doll, a big bed, a pretty dress, a table, some chairs, some plates, some candy and a buggy, a cap, a Christmas tree, a story book, a whole lot of things and some fruit. I am a good little girl. Good bye.

GARNET LINDEMANN.

P. S.—I am eleven years old.

Dear Santa—I am a little girl 7 years old. I am going to school and am learning very fast. I want a doll, some candy and nuts and a pair of mittens. My address is 1018 Gay Street.

WILMA MAY BURIS.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl 11 years old. I wish you to bring me some hair ribbons, some handkerchiefs, some story books and a lot of candy, nuts, oranges and bananas and a sled. That will be all. From your little friend, JESSIE PIATT.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl 11 years old. I wish you to bring me a sled, a set of harness for Dan, a corduroy suit, a book and a puzzle map. So goodbye. Your friend, WAYNE HAMMOND.

Dear Santa—I am a little girl six years old. I live at 1632 12th St. I want you to bring me a doll, a scarf, a pair of gloves, a story book, some candy, fruit and nuts. My sister Mildred will tell you which door to come in as she is writing to you also. Please don't forget us. From your little girl, AROMELL CARR.

Dear Santa—I am going to write and tell you what I would like to have for Christmas. Please bring me a Christmas tree, a game that is called ping pong, a sled, some books, a red tie, a doll wig, a new pair of shoes and a pair of rubbers. Please bring mamma and papa something too. I will leave the front door open. Please come Saturday night for we are going to go to Cincinnati Sunday afternoon. So we are going to have our Christmas Saturday night. Dear Santa bring the poor children something too and tell all the little children that I wish them all a merry Christmas and a happy New Year. Your friend, LILLIAN GIMS.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl seven years old. I live at 1632 12th St. I want you to bring me a doll, a scarf, a pair of gloves, a story book, some candy, nuts and fruit. You will find the parlor door unlocked. So please come in that way. From your little girl, MILDRED CARR.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little boy 8 years old. I want you to bring me a sled, some candy and oranges. Bring sister Louella a doll buggy, some candy and oranges. Please don't forget my little cousin Jerry and Leek Harigan on Front Street. I live on 15th Street. Now Santa I will be a good boy and go to sleep early. I will tell mamma to leave the door open. Goodbye, Santa.

DOYLE SPENCE.

1224 15th St.

Dear Santa Claus—I will write you a few lines to let you know I am still living and what I want for Christmas. I want a crying doll, a bed, a set of china dishes, a table, story books and games, washing machine, set of dining room chairs, a pair of kid gloves, a set of furs, a ring, a pocketbook, a camera and some films. Be sure and give me all I ask for, Santa, because I have been a good girl. Loving you forever I close from EVELYN LOUISE MCCARTY.

P. S.—Please don't forget my little friend Margaret Louise Holberg and bring her all she wants.

Dear Santa Claus—I will write to let you know what I want for Christmas. I want a doll buggy, an iron and ironing board, a washing machine, a trunk, a stove, some story books, some games, oranges, bananas, nuts and candy and I guess that will be all. With love from your friend, EDITH KATHARINE YEATTS.

Dear Santa—I am going to tell you what I want for Xmas. Well, I want a Brownie camera, a leather wrist watch, a soap bubble machine, a pile of books as high as myself and as I am pretty tall I will have to be a few feet tall. I'll be watching for you, too. Don't forget to come to my house. Oh, I forgot to tell you a million things I wanted. I thought at first I only wanted five things. I want a Flexible Flyer, too. I also want a necklace with a diamond in it, because the diamond is my birthstone. Well, one thing else I want is a set of Erectors. I'm a little girl nine years old. Your loving friend, GLADYS DOTY.

P. S.—I want a Ukulele, too. I'm in the fourth grade. I'm in four pieces at school.

Dear Santa—I am 5 years old. I have tried to be a good boy all year. I want you to bring me a set of Model Builders, a train that runs on a track, a chair, lots of candy, nuts and oranges. We will leave the door unlocked so you can trim the tree. This is all. Goodbye. From yours truly, DONALD ELMER PRICE.

Dear Santa—I thought I would write and tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a doll, a sled, a lock with my initials on it, a pencil box, a few books, a few games for a child 9 years old and a few more things. But these are the things that I want real best.

From your loving friend, CLARA LOUISE GIMS.

Dear Santa—Please bring me a sled, a sport suit and a manual training set. I want a big Christmas tree, too. Bring mamma a gold hat-pin. Bring papa a set of cuff-links. Yours truly, LAWRENCE MINEROO.

712 Findlay Street.

Dear Santa—Please bring me some books, a Flexible Flyer, a game of Ping Pong and a game of dominoes. Your loving friend, MARVIN RIGSHIL.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl seven years old. Will you bring me a story book, some games, a new coat, a new pair of gloves and some nuts, candy and oranges. From your little friend, MILDRED OVERSTREET.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl seven years old. I go to school every day. I am in the High Second. Now, Santa, don't forget me Xmas evening. I want a doll buggy, a little table and two little chairs, a set of china dishes, a story book, a new pair of shoes, some pretty hair ribbons, a horn and some candy and nuts. My little brother John Marvin, wants an Erector set, a drum, a horn, a train and some candy, nuts and oranges. Don't forget our Xmas tree. I am a good girl.

BEULAH DIFFEN.

1524 Summit Street.

Dear Santa Claus—As it is about Xmas time I thought I had better write and tell you what we would like for you to bring us. Now Santa I am a good little boy 7 years old and I go to school every day. I am in the second grade. Now Santa, please bring my baby sister, Frances, a rattle box, and a rubber doll. My little brother Walter wants a dog, a chair, a drum and a little wagon. Louise wants a doll, a set of dishes, a chair, a ring, a table, a little sewing box, some nice hair ribbons, and I wish you would please bring me a set of Model Builders, a writing desk, a black board, a ring, a coaster. Now Santa, please don't forget my mamma and papa. I will leave the front door open for you Santa. I live at 2005 Grant street. Please don't forget the candy, nuts and oranges. Your little friend, ARTHUR WORKMAN.

Buena Vista, O.

Dear Old Santa Claus—I will write you a letter asking you to come to our house. Do not forget to bring me a doll and buggy, little lamp, pair of gloves. I also want some candy, oranges and nuts. I am a little girl six years old and go to school.

RUTH PONTENNEY.

Dear Santa—I want you to send me a wheel and a pony and a buggy. I want a croquet game, a dozen handkerchiefs, a set of dominoes and a set of dishes for my sister. Yours truly, PAUL BROCK.

Sciotoville, Ohio.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl six years old. Would you please bring me a doll and some dress goods to make some clothes for my doll. Bring my brother Gerald, a drum and wagon, and my baby brother Eugene a rubber ball. We live on Center Street, Sciotoville. Please do not forget to come. Your little girl, GWENDOLYN GLANDON.

Dear Old Santa—I am a little boy five years old and I want so many things for Christmas. I don't know whether you can bring them all or not. I want a phonograph, a typewriter, a coaster, a writing desk and a doll that goes to sleep and lots of nuts and candy. I am anxiously waiting to see you come. So bye-bye, Santa.

HARRY DAVID CARROLL.

542 Second Street.

Dear Santa—I am going to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a doll and pony and cart, a camera, a locket, an oval ring, a pair of skates, a sled, a name-plate set, a new dress and a pair of rubbers. Don't forget my stockings and the Christmas tree. Don't forget my mother and papa. Yours truly, KATHRYN CROPPER.

Dear Santa—Please bring me a sled, a gun, a storybook, a pony, a camera, a birthstone ring, a book strap, pencil box, a soap game, an old maid game, and a pony cart. Please do not forget my sister. I will have a Christmas tree for them. Bring my little brother some toys too, we will be looking for them. Yours truly, RALPH MARTIN.

1546 10th St.

South Webster, O.

Dear Santa Claus—I would like for you to bring me a wagon, a rubber ball, a pair of gloves, a red sweater, a cap, bananas, a coconut, a good story book and some peanuts. Papa wants a black hat, Mamma wants a pair of shoes and stockings. Grandma wants a hat, Mamma wants a string of beads. My name is Bruce Alexander. I am twelve Christmas tree and anything else good boys. Yours very truly, BRUCE ALEXANDER.

Dear Santa—Please bring me a camera, a ring, flashlight, candy, cakes, peanuts and fruits, and story books. Please make every one happy on merry Christmas eve. Your friend, GEORGE CARTWRIGHT.

Dear Santa—Will you bring me a camera, a ring, flashlight, candy, cakes, peanuts and fruits, and story books. Please make every one happy on merry Christmas eve. Your friend, GEORGE CARTWRIGHT.

Dear Santa—I wish you would bring me a sled, a set of harness for Dan, a corduroy suit, a book and a puzzle map. So goodbye. Your friend, WAYNE HAMMOND.

Linwood, Ohio.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl 8 years old. I go to school every day. I am very good like every kid. Please bring me a new dress, a pair of ribbons and a comb and anything else you have nice for girls. Bring me some fruit and candy and nuts. My little sister Helen wants a little tub, wash board and broom, and a piece of doll. Sister Emma wants a little rocking chair and a doll and lots of pretty things for she is a good little girl. Bring us all lots of good things to eat. From your little friend, VIRGIE DRESSLER.

My Dear Santa Claus—Will you please bring me some good books to read and a pocket book. If you want to bring me something else you can bring it. Margaret wants a sled and a sled ribbon. Raymond wants a sled and a big red ball. Virginia wants a rattle. Mamma wants a shawl and a toothpick holder.

Yours truly, GEORGIE YAGO.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl 6 years old. I go to school every day. Please bring me a rain coat and hood, a side board, a big doll with yellow curly hair, a doll bed, a set of dishes and some nice hair ribbon. Please come in and trim my Xmas tree.

MARZELL SHELTON.

P. S.—Don't forget candies, nuts and fruits. Thank you. Bertha, Ohio.

Dear Saint Nickles—I am a little girl 2 years old. Won't you please bring me a big doll, a table and three chairs, a set of furs and a set of dishes too. Please bring my sister, Marzell and I some story books and lots of good nuts, candies and oranges.

RACINE SHELTON.

P. S.—And don't forget to bring my little cousin Iona Jane, a doll baby, a rocking chair and a set of dishes. Thank you very much. Bertha, Ohio.

Dear Old Santa—I am a little boy. I am one year old and a half. Santa won't you please bring me a red wagon, a jumping jack, a train and a big rubber ball, doll just like me. I have big blue eyes and yellow hair, so you will know what kind of doll to bring, and lots of candies, nuts and fruits. I will leave the door unlocked for you Xmas eve.

ALMARINE SHELTON.

Dear Santa Claus—Please bring me a soldier game, a gun, a train that runs on a track, a sand tipple, 3 pencils, a companion box, a pen point, a pen holder, a mousetrap. Don't forget mamma and papa. Your dear friend, WALTER CHAPMAN.

1513 Third Street

Dear Santa—I am going to write you a letter as I saw in the Times where so many of your girls and boys were writing to you. I am eight years old and go to school. I want a sled and air gun, pair of gloves, a story book, lots of oranges, bananas, nuts and candy. Be sure and don't forget my little sisters, Mildred and Bernice. They want dolls and hair ribbons.

Your little man, WAYNE B. FIELDS.

Dear Santa—I am going to write a pretty letter and tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a white coaster wagon and plenty of nuts of all kinds and fruit. I guess that is all I want this year. Your loving friend, RALPH DAVIS.

My Dear Santa Claus—I am having a nice time in the snow, and being so near Christmas, I thought I would write and tell you what I want. Please bring me a ring, my birthstone. Don't forget my sister. Bring me a doll and a doll buggy and a doll set of furniture and a little chair. We will leave the back door open. Yours truly, THELMA RESLER.

Dear Santa—Please bring me a big doll, a kitchen cabinet and four yards of ribbon and some books. Please bring me the following books: Pollyanna and a Pollyanna Grown Up, a box of handkerchiefs, a box of dominoes. Please don't forget my little sister. Yes, Santa I forgot. I want a sled painted red and yellow, a set of furniture. Don't forget papa and mamma and all the scholars. I thank you very much for what you brought me last year. Yours very truly, MARY ALLEN.

My dear Santa Claus—Please bring me a doll that has a nipple in its mouth and a sewing machine. I would like to have a piano, some hair ribbons. Don't forget my mother, father and brother and all my relatives and my dear teacher. Bring every one something for Christmas. Bring me some candy and nuts and oranges and bananas and some books. Yours respectfully, ELIZABETH LUCILLE.

Dear Santa—Will you bring me a camera, a ring, flashlight, candy, cakes, peanuts and fruits, and story books. Please make every one happy on merry Christmas eve. Your friend, GEORGE CARTWRIGHT.

Dear Santa—I wish you would bring me a sled, a set of harness for Dan, a corduroy suit, a book and a puzzle map. So goodbye. Your friend, WAYNE HAMMOND.

Dear Santa Claus—I will tell you what I want for Xmas. I do not want very much for Xmas. I want a game called Phoebe Snow and I also want a sweater, and a camera. I have got three of my presents already. I will try and tell you what they are. I got them from my mother. I got a pair of white buckskin shoes and a pair of black leather shoes. Then next I got a new white dress and it has a jacket embroidered over it. Then last I got a new set of furs with broad neck piece and a collar that comes clear up to my nose. Please do not forget my mother and my two brothers and our nurse. But most of all don't forget my teacher. Please bring her all the things teachers need. I guess that is all. Your loving friend, SARAH-LOUISE WALKER.

P. S.—And when I get older I want a wrist watch.

Dear Santa—I am a little girl nine years old. I am in the fourth grade. I want to thank you for the things you brought me last year, and tell you what I want this year. I would like to have a ring with my birthstone in it and I want a camera, a puzzle, map of the United States, some games, some books. I would like a tool box, an erector and a wrist watch. Yours truly, ELEANOR SWISHELM.

P. S.—Please trim my Christmas tree. I will tell my mother to turn out the fire so you will not get burnt.

Dear Santa—I wish you would bring me a sled, a steam engine and a printing press, a pair of ice skates, some books, handkerchiefs and a tie. Your friend, CHARLES WARDEN.

Dear Santa Claus—Please bring me some hair ribbon and some handkerchiefs and a new pair of shoes. Be sure to bring my little brother a train that runs on a track and don't forget to bring my sister a wrist watch. My other sister wants a Ukulele. Well, I think that is all. Yours truly, CLARA GIBBS.

Dear Santa—I am going to write you a letter to tell you what I want for Christmas. Please bring me a bathrobe, a pair of house slippers, books, hair ribbons, a set of furs a pair of gloves, lots of games, some handkerchiefs, a doll and lots of nuts, oranges, bananas and candy. Don't forget to bring me a Christmas tree. Your loving friend, JEANNETTE REINIGER.

Dear Santa—I am going to write you a letter to tell you what I want for Christmas. Please bring me a cap and scarf, a pair of ribbons, a lavallier, a pair of kid gloves, a new winter dress, some handkerchiefs, a sled, and a bathrobe and lots of games and some nuts, oranges, bananas, candies. I guess that is all this year. I will leave the back door open. Yes a Xmas tree. Your loving friend, MILDRED V. GIBBERT.

1153 Ninth St.

Dear Santa—I thought I would write you a few lines to let you know what I want for Christmas. Will you please bring me a nice pair of gloves, a box of handkerchiefs and a new dress. Don't forget to trim our tree. I will leave the front door open for you and my little sisters want something too. Don't forget my mother and father. I have some brothers, don't forget them. I will hang up my stockings by the fire this is all for this time. Yours truly, DOROTHY COYLE.

Dear Santa—I wish you would bring me a sled, and a rifle. Don't forget my baby Girl Friend. He wants a teddy bear and a horn and some nuts and a Christmas tree. My sister wants a doll and a bed and a buggy and other things. Don't forget Charles Friend. He wants a suit, a sled and a set of model builders, a Christmas tree and nuts and some candy and games and other things. That's all for this year. Yours truly, GILBERT FRIEND.

923 4th St.

Dear Santa—I am a little girl 11 years old. I want you to bring me a bracelet, a doll, 2 story books, a sled and rain coat. Don't forget my little sister, Bernice. She wants a doll and a doll bed. That is all. I will leave the front door open. From your friend, ESTHER HANSON.

2022 Second Street.

P. S. Don't forget to bring us some candy, nuts and oranges.

Dear Santa—I am a little girl four years old. I say my prayers every night and help mamma wash dishes. I want for Xmas a big doll that can shut its eyes and a teddy bear and a tub, wash board and candy, nuts and a carpet sweeper. That is all, dear Santa.

PIANCES KENNEDY.

My number is 923 Tenth Street.

Dear Santa Claus—I have been a good little boy. I would like for you to bring me a tri-cycle, a drum, a horn, a little rocking chair, a set of blocks, some stockings, some candy and oranges and a nice Christmas tree. Your little boy, GENE WILLIAMSON.

Silams, Ky.

Dear Santa—I am a little girl 11 years old. I want to write to you to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a nice pair of kid gloves, some handkerchiefs, rubbers and manure set. Please bring me some kind of a game. I hope you will not think it too much. Your loving friend, MABEL BOOE.

Dear Santa—I thought I would write and tell you what I want for Christmas. Please bring me a game of croquet, a locket and a doll with a nipple in its mouth. Don't forget to bring me a set of books, a box of handkerchiefs, a camera and a kitchen cabinet. Oh, yes, please bring me a bottle of perfume, lots of nuts, candies and oranges. Be sure not to forget to bring my cousin a pair of bed-room slippers and a set of model builders. Your little friend, MARIE ALLARD.

Dear Santa—I am going to write and tell about the big snow storm. The trees are pretty and white with snow. I am counting the days on my fingers and thumbs until Christmas. Now I want to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a nice pair of kid gloves, some handkerchiefs, rubbers and manure set. Please bring me some kind of a game. I hope you will not think it too much. Your loving friend, MABEL BOOE.

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Dear Santa—I wish you would bring me a sled, a set of harness for Dan, a corduroy suit, a book and a puzzle map. So goodbye. Your friend, WAYNE HAMMOND.

Dear Santa Claus—I want a nice Xmas tree, a trunk and a doll, some doll dresses, bracelet a mesh bag and rosy and a fancy box of candy.

Your little girl, GENEVIEVE MAIER, 920 Gay St.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl 8 years old. I am in the third grade. As you are coming around this year, I want you to bring me a set of furs, a set of dishes, a dining-room set, a pretty silk dress, a toy telephone and lots of other toys. Don't forget to fill my stockings. Don't forget my little brother. He is almost three weeks old. Please bring him a cap and coat. That is all. Goodbye. From SUGENIA MARIE WARNOCK.

508 Union Street.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl eleven years old. I go to school every day. I will tell you what I want for Xmas. I want a doll, a doll buggy, some ribbon, a pair of skates, some oranges and bananas. Don't forget my little sister. They want a doll and a set of dishes. Be sure and come to our house. Your little girls, EDITH, RUTH AND GARNET HILL.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl 9 years old and I have been sick and could not get down street to see you, so I am going to write you a note and tell you that I would like to have a little doll chair, a set of dishes and a set of knives and forks for my doll and some other things that you know little girls like. Please Santa Claus don't forget to bring my little sister "Betty" something too. With lots of love, LOUISE MITCHELL, 319 Offner.

Dear Santa—Please bring me a little doll swing, a go-cart, a tub, board and a little iron, some clothespins and a pair of shoes for my doll. Now, Santa, please bring me plenty of oranges, some candy and nuts. I am 7 years old and I have a little sister 3 years old. Please bring her a Teddy bear, a kitten, a broom and a drum. Please don't forget us. Your little girls, NINA AND JEOLA CALLAHAN.

2120 Vinton Avenue.

Dear Santa Claus—Please bring me a little machine, a doll with a long dress on and pacifier. Bring mamma and papa something nice. Bring me some oranges, nuts and candy of all kinds. I am 9 years old. I go to school when I can. Goodbye. Dear Santa. Please bring me what I want. From your little girl, ROXY CALLAHAN.

Dear Santa—I am a little boy 2 1/2 years old. I live at 1744 Seventh Street. I thought I would write and tell you what I wanted. I would like a train, a ball, a horn and drum, oranges, candy, peanuts and apples. Don't forget my little brother Glen. He wants a rattle box and a doll. GILBERT BONZO.

Dear Santa—This letter is from two little girls. We would like to have a nice doll each, kitchen cabinet, set of dishes. We each would like to have a tri-cycle. Our little cousin, Jane Norris, is living here now. Be sure and bring her a doll and a buggy for it, and anything else you think she would like to have. Bring us nice candy and nuts, and don't forget Essie. She wants a ring. Your friends, NELL AND ESTHER GABLEMAN.

Dear Santa—I am a little boy five and a half years old and live with my grandparents about one mile below Fire Brick in Kentucky. I know all my letters and can count clear up to ten. Papa said if I could be a good little boy and mind grandpa and grandma that Santa would bring me some nice things for Christmas. I have been good a long time. Don't forget to bring me a train and an automobile and some picture books. Oh, yes, don't forget little sister. That is all, so goodbye.

From your little friend, FREDERICK WEIDNER.

Dear Santa—I will write to let you know I have been a good boy and want a few things for Christmas. I want a tri-cycle, a wagon, a horse, some story books, a game of checkers and a watch and chain. Be sure and bring my tri-cycle, as I need it very badly. With love from your friend, ELMER YEATTS.

P. S.—Also bring me candy, fruit and nuts and a Christmas tree.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl nine years old. I want to write to you to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a pair of stockings, a new dress, a new ribbon and a set of furs and I would like some nuts and candy and oranges and fruit. Don't forget my sister. She wants a new pair of shoes, a pair of stockings, a new dress and a new ribbon and a set of furs. Goodbye, Santa Claus. From DOROTHY AND HELEN SENNETT.

Dear Santa—I am going to write and tell about the big snow storm. The trees are pretty and white with snow. I am counting the days on my fingers and thumbs until Christmas. Now I want to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a nice pair of kid gloves, some handkerchiefs, rubbers and manure set. Please bring me some kind of a game. I hope you will not think it too much. Your loving friend, MABEL BOOE.

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Dear Santa—I wish you would bring me a sled, a set of harness for Dan, a corduroy suit, a book and a puzzle map. So goodbye. Your friend, WAYNE HAMMOND.

Dear Santa—I am a little girl 8 years old. I go to school every day. I am very good like every kid. Please bring me a new dress, a pair of ribbons and a comb and anything else you have nice for girls. Bring me some fruit and candy and nuts. My little sister Helen wants a little tub, wash board and broom, and a piece of doll. Sister Emma wants a little rocking chair and a doll and lots of pretty things for she is a good little girl. Bring us all lots of good things to eat. From your little friend, VIRGIE DRESSLER.

My Dear Santa Claus—Will you please bring me some good books to read and a pocket book. If you want to bring me something else you can bring it. Margaret wants a sled and a sled ribbon. Raymond wants a sled and a big red ball. Virginia wants a rattle. Mamma wants a shawl and a toothpick holder.

Yours truly, GEORGIE YAGO.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl 6 years old. I go to school every day. Please bring me a rain coat and hood, a side board, a big doll with yellow curly hair, a doll bed, a set of dishes and some nice hair ribbon. Please come in and trim my Xmas tree.

MARZELL SHELTON.

P. S.—Don't forget candies, nuts and fruits. Thank you. Bertha, Ohio.

Dear Saint Nickles—I am a little girl 2 years old. Won't you please bring me a big doll, a table and three chairs, a set of furs and a set of dishes too. Please bring my sister, Marzell and I some story books and lots of good nuts, candies and oranges.

RACINE SHELTON.

P. S.—And don't forget to bring my little cousin Iona Jane, a doll baby, a rocking chair and a set of dishes. Thank you very much. Bertha, Ohio.

Dear Santa—I thought I would write and tell you what I want for Xmas. Please bring me a Flexible Flyer sled, a pair of Boy Scout gloves, a pair of ribbons and a few books and a sweater. Bring me plenty of candy, nuts and oranges. Do not forget to trim my tree. Yours truly, FERDIE MARTIN.

Dear Santa—I will write you a few lines to let you know what I want for Christmas. I would like to have a doll, Christmas tree, a box of handkerchiefs, a new white dress with pink satin sash and some story books. Don't forget my teacher. She is so nice to all the scholars in the room. Please send her a nice gold necklace and a diamond. Please don't forget my brother and sister. Your loving friend, ELLEN GILLILAND.

My Dear Santa—I am going to write you what I want for Christmas. I want a camera and a sled and a doll with a nipple in its mouth, diamond ring, a croquet set, a doll bed and some new hair ribbons, two pairs of shoes and some new dresses, a set of furs and a manicure set and some handkerchiefs. Yours truly, ESTHER GREENBERG.

Dear Santa Claus—I thought I would write you and tell you what I want for Christmas. I want an unbreakable doll, a little buggy to ride in, some nice hair ribbons, some new dresses, a pair of Sunday shoes and a tree all trimmed up nice. Bring some apples, oranges, bananas, candy and nuts. I guess that is all. IRENE WISE.

737 Front Street.

Dear Old Santa Claus—I thought I would drop you a few lines to let you know what I want for Christmas. I want a wheel-barrow, a train that will run on a track, a suit of clothes, a little rocking chair, a hoe and rake, a shovel, a tree all trimmed up, and fill my stockings with apples, oranges, bananas and nuts. That is all. RALPH WISE.

737 Front Street.

Dear Santa Claus—I want a set of card board paper dolls and a Ferris wheel. Don't forget Aunt Sis. Don't forget grandma, for grandma is sick. KATHERINE CHAPMAN.

1512 Third Street.

Dear Santa Claus—You must remember, I have a little sister this year, so don't forget her. She wants a rubber doll with a whistle in it. She is little and can't talk, so bring her something else nice to play with. Her name is Helen Lucie. Now this is what I want. I want a doll, a pair of shoes, a little lamp that will burn, and I am anxious to learn my A, B, C's. So bring me a little blackboard, because I am nearly old enough to go to school. Bring plenty of apples and oranges and nuts. If you will bring these I will remember you. Goodbye, Santa.

From your little friend, BEULAH LEE BUSIL.

Dear Santa Claus—I have been a good little girl. I would like to have a new dress, a pair of shoes, some hair ribbons, an ironing board, a broom, and some candy, oranges, and that is all. Your little girl, HELEN PLEASANT.

Dear Santa Claus—I am going to write a letter to you. I am eight years old. I am a good girl. I want you to bring me some things. I want a story book, some oranges, a raincoat and a dress. Don't forget my little brother Harold. He is four years old. He wants a story book, a wagon, a drum and a suit of clothes and a sweater and a cap and some candies and nuts. From your little friends, VIRGINIA AND HAROLD OVERSTREET.

Dear Santa—I would be so glad if you would call to see me and my little sister Xmas eve. I would like a doll cart, lots of candy and nuts and oranges.

SANTA CLAUS LETTERS

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl 4 years old and live in Pleasant Valley, but don't come up there for it is too rough. Come to my mamma's house on Rhodes avenue. Just knock on the door. We will be waiting for you and will let you in. I want a little broom, a lawn swing, a set of dishes, a trunk for my doll and a pair of house slippers and kid gloves. Now Santa I have a little cousin, Clinton Stanley, and as he is too little to play much you can bring him some rattles and a high chair. Don't forget my mamma and daddy, also mamma. Goodbye. Your little friend,
JUANITA JENKINS.

Dear Santa—From little 4 year old Tires Kline. Dear Santa, Please send me a pair of mittens, a negro baby and some candles and a top and some blocks. Thanks.
CHARLES KLINE.

Dear Santa—Will you please send me a cap, sweater and some candy. Your little friend,
CHARLES KLINE.

Dear Santa Claus—Please bring me an Indian suit, 6 boxes roller caps, 6 packages shooting crackers, a sweater coat, a set of model building, a pop gun, two story books, Jack and the Bean Stalk and Alice in Wonderland, and lots of candy and nuts. Don't forget my friend, Harwood Ashley. Goodbye, Santa. I am 8 years old.
GILBERT LONG.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl and I will not be four years old until the 19th of next June. Now, Santa, I do not want you to forget me this time. I want you to bring me a doll, a picture book and a doll buggy and some peanuts and some candy. Santa, I do want you to bring me a new dress. I live down on 35th street. The number of the house is 937. So goodbye.
ELEANOR MARSH.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little country boy 1 year old. I would like for you to bring me a few things. I want an air rifle, wagon, a top, a ball and some candy and nuts. I have two little brothers, and don't forget them. Your little friend,
FRANK HOOK, Wheelersburg.

Dear Santa—I am a little boy 6 years old. I want a set of erector steel, a little wagon, some candy, a big Xmas tree, a little book of funny pictures and some building blocks.
RODINALD TESTMENT, 1613 Galia Street.

Dear Santa—I am a little boy 6 years old. My little sister and I live with our grandma. Our mamma is dead. She has been dead 2 years. Please bring my little sister a doll and buggy, a set of blocks and a drum. Please bring me a flash-light, a drum, a set of blocks and lots of candy, nuts and oranges. Papa will put our tree by the window, so please trim it up nice for us. Much obliged to you, dear Santa. From your little friends,
FLOYD AND CHARLOTTE MITCHEM, Fire Brick Ky.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little boy five years old. I would like to have you bring me something for Christmas. Would like some shooting crackers, some candy and a pair of roller skates. Bring mamma a leather rocker and Eddie an Erector set and Margaret a muff and papa a pair of nice warm gloves, as he carries mail and his hands get very cold. From your little friend,
LAWRENCE LEROY RUSSELL, Box 43, Lucasville, O.

Dear Santa Claus—Please bring me a lot of pigeons and some rabbits. I am a nice little boy 10 years old and in the 5th grade.
JOHNIE SCHUI, Third St.

Dear Santa Claus—Will you please bring me a macinaw and a drum and drumsticks, Fire Little Stars on a Canal Boat and a Model Builder No. 3, story books, games and a train. Sandy Andy and a Peter Rabbit book, also some candy, nuts, oranges and bananas. Your little boy,
ROBERT OAKES, 1645 Seventh St.

Dear Santa Claus—For my Christmas gift, I would like for you to bring me a set of furs, some story books, some paints and a doll. I wish you to bring those things, if there are not any other children who need them worse than I. I am in the third grade and I am eight years old.
EDITH COOK, George, Ohio.

Dear Santa—I want a good dog, a cat, a knife and a pony. From your little boy,
LYONS QUESTEL.

Dear Santa—Please bring me a little doll with eyes that will open and shut, a box of crayons and a blackboard.
VIRGINIA LIFE.

Dear Santa—Please bring me a box of handkerchiefs, a pair of silk hose, a measuring set, a pair of house slippers, some good reading books and a box of candy. From your little girl,
FLORENCE ROMAN, 312 Third St.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little boy 6 years old. I live at 1114 OR more street. I want you to bring me a new cap, some new waists, a story book, a train, some blocks, candy and nuts and harp, and my little sister wants a doll and buggy, two new dresses, new cap, scarf and story books. I have a little tiny baby brother. He wants a rubber doll and little silver bell and buggy robe and new pair of shoes.
CHARLES QUICKER.

Dear Santa Claus—I would love to get something from you. I would like a doll, a ring, a picture, new dress, a story book, a set of dishes, a Christmas tree, some candy, oranges and some peanuts, cakes, and this is the end, so goodbye.
CLIFFORD FRANCE.

Dear Santa Claus—We are two brothers. We would like for Christmas a pair of gum boots. Please bring us candy, nuts and oranges. Bring us a coconut. We are twins and we would want our things alike.
OSCAR AND ORVILLE SKAGGS, 1417 Mound Street.

Dear Santa—I am a little girl 6 years old and in the low first at Union street school. I want a buggy, pair of shoes and some napkins, tablecloth, rubers and nuts and candy for Christmas. I live at 1513 Fourth street. Don't forget me. That's all I want for Christmas this year.
DOROTHY FLOWERS.

Dear Santa—As it is nearing Christmas, I thought I would write you a letter to let you know what I want. I want a set of tin dishes, a suit of clothes, a negro baby and a pig. Don't forget the set of tin dishes, for they are the most important. This is all. Goodbye.
DOROTHY LILLICK.

P. S.—Please don't forget a rattle-box and a nipple. 1022 Gay street.

Dear Santa—I am 10 years old. Will you please bring me 7 boxes of caps and 3 packages of shooting-crackers and a good spirit gun.
HOWARD LONG, Sciotoville.

Dear Santa Claus—Please bring me a watch and chain, a pop-gun, 3 boxes roller caps, 6 pretty story books, a horn, a pair laced shoes, a bass drum, plenty of nuts and candy. Now, Santa, I am a good little boy 6 years old. I about know my A, B, C's. Please don't forget my little friends, Elizabeth Kopp and John Ashley. This is all. I guess. Goodbye, Santa. RUSSELL E. LONG.

Dear Santa—Would you please bring me a sled, rocking chair, writing desk, some hair ribbons, some story books and candy, nuts and oranges. Goodbye.
GERTRUDE PATTON.

Dear Santa—I am a little boy 10 years old. I want you to bring me a little toy drum, some drumsticks, train which runs, some candy, nuts, oranges, some lemons and pickles and hickory nuts. Yours truly,
LEE ERIEL.

P. S.—Please bring me a rocky horse and a cradle.

Dear Santa Claus—I would love to get a doll baby with blue eyes and a white dress, a buggy, a piano, a story book, set of dishes, a Christmas tree, some candy, some oranges, peanuts and some cakes. Goodbye.
LENA CLIFFORD.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl eight years old. I would like for Christmas, a doll buggy, a doll-bed, candy, nuts and oranges. Don't forget my sister, May. Bring her something nice. Your loving friend,
EMMA TRISLER, Mahert Road.

P. S.—I will leave the door unlocked, but if I forget, just open the window.

Dear Santa—I am a nice little girl, only 6 years old. I am in the first grade at school. I want you to bring me one of those jumping ropes with a ball on the end, a pair of pink ribbons, a big doll, a pair of black shoes and some clothes, some nuts, candy, oranges, dates and figs. So I guess that's all. But don't forget my little brother, Albert. Remember now Santa, don't want you to forget me this year. You never did and don't this year. That's all this time. From your little lover,
KATHLEEN DAVIS, 617 Market St.

Dear Santa Claus—I want a pair of red ribbons for Xmas and a doll. Please bring me some candy and a coconut and some oranges. I am nine years old.
ETHEL SKAGGS, 1417 Mound St.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a good little boy seven years old. I go to school every day and study hard to get promoted and as it is, nearing Xmas and I saw in the paper where other little children were asking you for different things, I thought I had better ask you for what I want before you had all your nice things promised. So please bring me a coaster wagon with a brake on the back wheel, a flexible sled, some candy, nuts, oranges and apples, a pair of leather gloves with a red star on them, a pencil box with a star on it to put my pencils, a knife, a pair of overalls, a pair

of leggings and a nice story book, and do not forget mamma and papa. I will have a nice tree all ready for you, so please do not forget me. I live at 1413 Summit street.
HAROLD M. SCOTT.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl seven years old. I am a good little girl. I want a doll with light curly hair. Don't forget my little cousins, Ruth Grohman, and Nebel Schilling, and all my cousins and little friends. Please don't forget to bring me a nice new dress, and some rubbers and stockings. I go to bed early and love you so. So good bye from your little friend.
THELMA SCHILLINGER, 622 Eighth Street.

Dear Santa Claus—I will be four years old the 11th of next March. Please bring me a gun, a harp, a little red wagon, a set of Model builders, a tricycle and automobile. Please don't forget my big brother, Earl. He wants a sled, Irish mail and a checker box. My big sister Fern, and little sister Marie, wants a doll and buggy and some toy furniture. Dear Santa, please do not forget my dear sweet mamma. Your little friend,
PAUL REED.

Dear Santa Claus—Please bring me a wagon, a knife, a train, a cap and a sweater. Please remember my little sister, Christine. She wants a doll and a set of dishes. With love,
CLETUS HARR.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl 5 years old and have a little sister Lucile 20 months old and 3 little cousins. Their names are Maurice and Forest Johnson, age 7 to 4 years, and Leslie Allen, 13 months old. Now, Santa, please bring sister and I some dolls that go to sleep, a doll bed, a suit case and a little lockert. Bring my little boy cousins such toys that you think boys need. Your little girls,
WILMA AND LUCILE JOHNSON, Long Meadow.

Dear Santa—I am 11 years old. I want a doll, a music cabinet, some games and a pair of kid gloves. I would like to have a new dress, some ribbon and some candy, oranges and nuts. I have two little sisters. They want a doll and buggy and some candy and nuts. My little brother wants a rubber doll. From your little girl,
AVALINE REEDER.

Dear Santa Claus—Will write and tell you what I want for Christmas. I am 8 years old. I would like to have a writing desk, a story book, a kitchen cabinet and stove and set of dishes, some candy and nuts. So this will be all for this time.
THELMA TEMPLE, 1517 Twelfth street.

Dear Santa Claus—Please bring us little ones all you have to spare. We all want the same things. Our ages are 14, 15 and 16. We want a wash-board and tub, a kempie doll, a buggy and cradle, some dresses for our dolls, a set of tin dishes and a china closet to put them in, a little stove, a dog, cat and a red, white and blue horn, a tin automobile full of gum drops, a coal bucket and shovel, a sewing set, a ten cent one will do, a rattle box, a table and three chairs, so we can have tea with our dolls, candy, nuts and fruit. This is all we can think of now. From your little girls,
RACHEL CUNNINGHAM, EUNICE HANSEN, CAROLINE DRESSLER, Sciotoville.

Dear Santa Claus—I am waiting for you to come and see me Xmas. Please bring me a train, auto, horse, new sweater and lots of candies and nuts. Don't forget mamma and daddy.
MASTER HAROLD DYER, 2111 Eighth street.

Dear Santa—I am writing to you to tell you what I want for Xmas. I am 5 years old and am a good girl. My name is Leatha Hale. I live in a big brick hotel at New Boston. My address is 3944 East Stanton avenue. I want a boy doll, a chair, a blue ribbon, a new dress and lots of nuts, candy, oranges and bananas. Thanking you very much for the things I got last year. Good bye Santa. P. S.—Santa I will leave the front door open. Good night. Your loving little friend,
LEATHA HALE.

Print my Xmas tree nice.

New Boston, Ohio.

Dear Santa—As I have tried to be a good little girl, I want you to bring me a blackboard, a story book, a bracelet, some nuts, apples, oranges and candy. Your little friend,
BLANCHIE MAY DEPIEST.

Please bring my little brother and sister, some nice toys.

Dear Santa Claus—I would like for you to bring me a doll bed and a pair of gloves for my daddy, size eight, and some hair ribbons and some story books for me. Please don't forget a tree. From your dear friend,
HELEN ESTHER SNEYLEY, 1238 Tenth Street.

Dear Santa—Please send me a doll cap, scarf and some nice candies and oranges. Thank you very much. Your friend
GERTRUDE KLINE.

Dear Santa—I want a doll, a buggy, some hair ribbons and set of dishes and a little table and chairs. I want some candy and oranges and an automobile. I want a cannon ring with a diamond in it. That is all, dear Santa. From your loving friend,
EMMA DROWN, 1617 Boundary street.

Dear Santa—I want a sled, a train, a street car and a nice sled. Don't forget my little brother, Carl. He wants a rattle box, and a rubber doll. I go to school every day. Regards to Santa. Yours truly,
THEAAN MEADOWS, Sixth Street.

Dear Santa Claus—Please send me a cap, pair of gloves and some candy. Your friend,
TRUMAN KLINE, 1065 Mill St.

Dear Santa—For Xmas I want a set of books. I have already got four presents. They are: A coat, a hat, some shoes and a dress, and I think this is all. Goodbye.
FRANCES SCHROEDER.

Dear Santa—It is drawing near Xmas and I will tell you what I want. I want a sled, a Model Builder, a doll and doll-bed. Don't bring me any candy, for I am too sweet now. Goodbye.
I am just six years old and am in the first grade.
FRANCIS CASSIDY.

Dear Santa—I want you to send me a black board, a pair of house slippers, a kimono, a cap, a pair of roller skates, a gas iron and a little stove. I would like to have a sweater coat and a pair of high top shoes. This is from little Ruby Whittington. My papa is sick in the hospital at Athens, O. and dear Santa now won't you bring me something nice for Christmas, please. I am sick. From your little friend,
RUBY WHITTINGTON, 505 Offene.

Dear Santa Claus—I would like for you to bring me a house ball and a hard rubber ball and a little stove, set of dishes, a blackboard and a stocking full of toys. Your little friend,
RUBY NEWMAN, Wamsley, Ohio.

Dear Santa Claus—Please bring me a train that runs on a track, a wheelbarrow, a pair of gloves, a ring, a dancer, some building blocks, candy, oranges and anything else that you want to bring. You may put them under my Christmas tree. HERMAN A. DOLL, R. F. D. No. 1.

Dear Santa—I think I will send you a letter so you will know what to bring me for Christmas. I am eleven years of age and don't want any toys, so I'll not ask you for much because you cannot give so many things to one person. You can bring me a new hair ribbon and a box of handkerchiefs and a Sunday dress for my doll. Well, Santa, how do you like the snow? I think it is quite nice. Bring mother and father something, too. I will leave the back door unlocked. Your loving girl,
ALICE RUTH BREWER, 1230 Ninth Street.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little boy 5 years old and am trying to be very good. So please bring me lots of nice things for Xmas. I want a cash register, an Irish mail wagon, a coon jigger, an electric train and lots of peanuts and candy. Please don't forget my brother, Stewart. He wants a bee-bee gun, some games and an overcoat. I remain your little friend,
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Dear Santa Claus—I am a little boy 3 years old. I thought I would tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a little horse, a wagon and a new suit. You can bring me some candy, nuts and oranges. Your little friend,
WILSON SHAW.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little 3 year old girl. I will write and tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a doll, a doll buggy and a little stove and a set of dishes. Your little friend,
CORA KITCHEN, P. S.—I will leave the door open so you can get in.

Dear Santa Claus—I thought I would write you a letter to tell you what I would like to have for Xmas. I want a drum, a hobby-horse, a pop-gun, a pair of tin soldiers and a little wagon. From your little friend,
FLOYD JAMISON, No. 1 Front street.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl 4 years old. I thought I would write and tell you what I want for Xmas. I want a doll, a doll bed, a new dress and lots of candy, nuts and oranges. From your little friend,
RUTH SHAW, 5 Front street.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl 6 years old. I go to school every day. I would like for you to bring me a bell, a hawthorn with a little doll on its back, a victrola, a big doll, a broom, some nuts, candy, peanuts, cream nuts. Goodbye, dear old Santa Claus. From your little girl,
VIOLET KATHERINE SHOE-MAKER, 2003 Baird avenue.

P. S.—Please don't forget my little cousins, Homer and Geneva Meral Homen.

Dear Santa—I want a doll, a buggy, some hair ribbons and set of dishes and a little table and chairs. I want some candy and oranges and an automobile. I want a cannon ring with a diamond in it. That is all, dear Santa. From your loving friend,
EMMA DROWN, 1617 Boundary street.

Dear Santa—I want a sled, a train, a street car and a nice sled. Don't forget my little brother, Carl. He wants a rattle box, and a rubber doll. I go to school every day. Regards to Santa. Yours truly,
THEAAN MEADOWS, Sixth Street.

Dear Santa—I am a little girl 3 years old. Please bring me a doll, a doll buggy, wash tub and board, doll bed and piano, high chair, horn, and a nice Xmas tree. Your little girl,
IMOGENE RUTH ALLEN, 314 Third Street.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little boy 4 years old. Please bring me a train and track, a doll, sled, wagon, broom, rocking chair and a horn. Please bring me a Xmas tree, story books, nuts, candy and oranges. Your little boy,
HAROLD LEE ALLEN, 314 Third Street.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl 5 years old. I am real good and I would like for you to bring me a doll, a baby buggy and a story book. I would like a new dress and a pair of kid gloves with black fur on them and some candy and oranges and mixed nuts and a rocking chair if you can get here with it. With lots of thanks to the Times.
LOTIE GLENX, 3022 Rhodes ave, New Boston.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl and am in the sixth grade. I am ten years old. I want for Xmas a dress, a pocket book, a ring and a pair of shoes. Goodbye. This is all.
ROSEMARY SCHUMACHER.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little white curly-headed girl. I would be glad to see you. I think you are coming to see me. But dear old Santa you go and see other little boys and girls first and then if you have anything left you can send them to me. Please bring me a tan willow buggy, a pretty doll, a little piano, a blackboard, some chalk to write with, a nice set of dishes and a nice story book. I would like for you to bring me a gold locket and chain. I have a nice ring and bracelet and I am quite sure you will bring me candy and oranges. I will have my tree up and you can trim it the way you want to. Don't forget little Homer and Leslie. Bring me some more nice things if you have anything left. Your little girl,
DOROTHY MARJORIE HOLT, 1417 Third street.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl 8 years old. I go to school every day. I would like for you to bring me a bell, a big doll, some story books, a little broom, a carpet-sweeper. If you have a sewing machine and some candy, nuts, oranges, bananas and anything else you want me to have.
Goodbye, dear old Santa Claus. From your little girl,
HAZEL ELIZABETH SHOE-MAKER, 2003 Baird avenue.

P. S.—Please don't forget my little friend, Louise Cuppet.

Dear Santa Claus—We are three good little children. Our names are Alice Louise, Paul and Cherrisa Grim. We go to bed early every night. Now, Santa, please bring Alice Louise a doll and some candy and Paul a story book, train and tool box, and bring me a doll and buggy, a little kitchen cabinet, set of dishes, story book and big Christmas tree for us all. We live at 1123 Kinney's Lane.
CLARISSA GRIM.

Dear Santa—I am a little girl 7 years old and thought I would write and tell you what I want for Xmas. I want a white dresser, a doll cart, a cradle for my doll, some story books, some toys, a train on a track like papa works on, a set of dishes, a table and chairs, a new gold chain, a set of furs, brass bed for my doll, a bath robe, a pair of kid gloves, a pair of house slippers, china closet to keep my dishes in. Now, dear Santa, please bring me all of these things. I thank you and wish you a merry Xmas. Your little friend,
ADA STEWART, 2131 Eleventh.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl 10 years old and my little brother is sick with pneumonia. I want you to bring him an automobile, some blocks and a little horse. My little sister wants some blocks, a set of dishes and a stove. My sister Eunice a little table and broom and paints, and Mary a hair ribbon and a pair of stockings and a story book. My own name is Wilma. I would like a ribbon, a pair of stockings and some crayons. Hope you will not forget us.
WILMA, MARY, EUNICE, BOOTSIE AND EDWARD TAYLOR, 1412 Fourth street.

Dear Santa Claus—As you remembered me so liberally last year, I thought I would thank you for it, and tell you what I want this year. I am a little girl, three years old. Please bring me a doll, a table and chairs, a wash board and tub, a set of dishes, a clown on a stick, a Christmas tree, a nice piano, and lots of candy, nuts and fruit. I have a crowd of little friends for you to remember: Hazel Boyd, Gilbert and Glenn Bonzo and my little cousin, Alice Jeffords, of Third street. Remember daddy and mother. Your loving baby,
ALMA LOUISE JEFFORDS, 1713 Seventh Street.

Dear Santa Claus—I thought I would write a few things to let you know what my brother and I wanted for Christmas. I want a

raincoat, hat, toe, waist, candy, and some nuts and a story book. Well that is all I guess now. I will tell you what my little brother wants. He wants a train, street cars, a picture book, some candy and nuts. Santa my brother is 5 years old and I am 8 years. Please bring these things.
PAUL AND EUGENE BEISLEY, 1661 12th Street.

Dear Santa Claus—As Christmas is near I thought I would write to you and tell you what I want. I want you to bring me a doll buggy, a doll, a bottle of milk, a cradle, set of dishes, a ball and a jumping-jack. Well I will close as my letter is quite long so good bye. Your friend,
HENRY LEWIS.

P. S.—Don't forget I am only two years old and can't write much.

Dear Santa Claus—As Christmas is drawing near, I will write you and tell you what I want. I want a doll, a doll bed, set of dishes, a ten cent ring and some pretty dresses. Well I will close as this is all I want. Good bye.
ROSEMARY SCHUMACHER.

Dear Santa—I am a little girl 4 years old. I am a good little girl and say my prayers every night, help mamma wash dishes. I will tell you what I would like for you to bring me for Xmas. I would like a doll baby that can shut its eyes and a teddy bear and a carpet sweeper, a little tub and wash board, candy and nuts. Your friend,
FRANCES KENNEDY, 223 Tenth street.

Dear Santa—I have been a very good little girl this year and I would love for you to bring me a doll that will go to sleep and a buggy and little bed and some other little toys. Please don't forget my little brother. He wasn't here last year. He is only a month old. He wants a Teddy bear. I am three years old. Don't forget mamma and papa. Goodbye. Your little friend,
DOROTHY KINDER.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little boy two years old. I have been a very good boy. I want lots of toys. I want a sled, auto, drum, horn, ball and a train which will run on a track. Don't forget my brother, Howard. He wants a ball, horn, blocks and dog. Your little friend,
PAUL TURNER, 2202 Galia St.

Dear Old Santa Claus—Please don't forget me and my little sister Doris. She wants a little red chair and a nice doll baby and a high chair for her doll. I want a piano, a set of dishes and a nice doll for my go-cart and a set of furs. We will go to bed early and be good little girls. I will leave the door unlocked for you. I believe that is all. Your little friends,
IRMA AND DORIS DEBO.

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Dear Santa Claus—Please bring me a box of blocks, milk wagon, wheelbarrow, flash-light, choo-choo train, looking glass, kid gloves, candy, nuts and oranges. I remain your little boy.
RAYMOND WHITE.

P. S.—Don't forget my little brother, mother and father, grandma and grandpa.

Dear Santa Claus—We are two little boys, age 4 years and 6 years. We live at Longmeadow. Please bring us an erector, a train an automobile, a street car, a ball, a little horn, a violin. Please don't forget our little sister, Ella Elizabeth. She wants a doll and buggy and some candy and nuts and oranges. Your little boys,
RALPH AND HOWARD SAMSON.

Dear Santa Claus—Please bring me a desk and chair, a doll baby and pencil box, some handkerchiefs, story book, a new dress, some fruit, candy and nuts. I am a good little girl. I live at 1423 11th St.
ZELMA CANTERBERY.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little fellow, and I want some nice things for Xmas. As I am a good little boy I want a rattle box, jingle bell, a pacifier, a teething ring and a new cradle. Your little boy
GARLAND KEMP, Summit St.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little boy 12 years of age. I would like for you to bring me a drum, horn, sword and pop-gun. Please, Santa Claus, bring me a tricycle. I would like lots of oranges, some candy, nuts and Santa, please bring my little sister Elton a doll, doll carriage, set of blocks and hair ribbon. With love,
CECIL DAMERON, 1533 Galia.

Dear Santa Claus—Little brother

Dear Santa—Please bring me a watch, a bracelet, a pair of hose, a pair of kid gloves, a new shirt and waist, a new hat and a set of furs, a nice Xmas tree. From your little girl,
RUDE ALLEN, Bertha Postoffice.

Dear Santa—It is so near to Christmas that I thought I would write you a letter and tell you what I want. I want a doll, a eup for it and a pair of bonties, a box of chimes, two new pair of ribbons, a new pair of shoes, and some new stockings and a sled. Be sure and shut the door, and don't forget the other children. Your little friend,
MARGARET GRIFFIN, 1007 Front St.

Dear Santa—It is so near Christmas that I thought I would write you a letter and tell you what I want. I would like to have a tool box, an ice wagon, a new sweater, two new whistles, and a bicycle. Don't forget my little brother Lou. He wants an express wagon and a tool box and a merry-go-round, and two new dresses and a new sweater. Your little friends JACK and LOU BABY GOINGS, 1005 Front St.

Dear Santa—I am a little boy 9 years old. I go to school every day and get my lessons. Now Santa, I would like for you to bring me an electric train, a pile driver, a flash light and some story books, candy, nuts and oranges. That is all. So good bye.
WELLS MCCANN, 3781 Galia Avenue.

Dear Santa Claus—I thought I would write you a few lines to let you know what I wanted for Christmas. I want a red wagon, a train, a horn, a drum and lots of peanuts and candies. I will hang my stocking by the mantle. I want you to put something in it. Good bye from your little friend,
FREDERICK GERGEN, Seventh St.

P. S.—Don't forget my little friends, Edward Poomey, 501 Harvard St. He wants a little tin soldier, a drum and a stick of candy, and little William Dadoy, Glover Street. He wants a horn, and a jumbo painting book, so he can paint pictures. This will be all till next year. Edward would also like to have a monkey on a stick.

Dear Santa: I want a sled and an electric train.
DOUGLAS TUNSBURG, Ninth Street.

Dear Santa Claus—Please bring me a set of furs, a necklace and black board, candy and nuts. Please bring my little sister a necklace, a doll, a ball with a rubber and a Teddy car.

THELMA LEE JOHNSTON, Sciotoville, Ohio.

Dear Santa—I am a little girl 7 years old. All I want is a doll and a doll buggy, a doll house, a doll bed, a doll cradle, a Mother Goose book, some candy, pop-corn, peanuts, oranges, bananas, and that's all. Your little girl,
FRIDA SIBREL, 839 Front street.

P. S.—Please don't forget my big sisters, Merle and Bertha Sibrel. Goodbye.

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AFTER THE WRENCH, WHAT?

Doing what it supposes to be the proper thing, undoubtedly, the public utilities board has closed down numerous industrial plants over the state, because the shortage of gas has made this fuel scarce in the homes of a number of cities.

It is well that the homes be kept warm, but another phase is presented to the problem, which is best stated in the words of an employee of the local steel plant, who in yesterday's Times said, "If they don't get gas to the industries before long, they won't have to worry about me keeping my home warm. I won't have any to keep warm if the pay roll stops."

Nearly 2,500 men are out of work at the steel plant, because it has been forced to suspend. Several hundred are out of employment because other plants have been forced to suspend. This means an alarming loss to the individuals, who have been counting on steady work; to many it means the loss of their homes; it means much to the merchants of the community who have laid their plans with every expectation of these industries continuing to run.

Some one is to blame for the situation.

It is easy enough to order the wrench to shut off the gas supply of the industrial plants. Most anyone could solve the problem in that manner. But, as in the case of the local steel plant, many of these industries have undoubtedly installed gas after promises of a necessary supply of fuel under all conditions. If the commissions and boards are to escape the censure that will follow full consideration of the question, they will determine whether the gas companies have made all efforts possible to live up to their contracts, and have developed their fields as they signed their contracts, and made their promises.

Seventy-four men, three women, seventy-four empty suit cases and three empty handbags from up in West Virginia dropped off an N. & W. train at Ironton the other morning. Seventy-four men and three women with seventy-seven different varieties of jags, seventy-four suit cases and three handbags loaded with booze, boarded the evening N. & W. train at Ironton for their West Virginia homes. In the interim they had staged a baby riot at the depot, according to the Register, and in various other boisterous ways demonstrated that they were having a "big time," on their little excursion to a moist zone. It's interesting, all this. But unless all signs fail such "big times" will grow scarcer and scarcer within the next few years. Things do seem to be moving that way.

We have often wondered why a dog buries a bone. We have seen hundreds of dogs at this cheerful and apparently thoughtful occupation and we have marveled at the intelligence that prompted Mr. Dog to lay aside a bone for a rainy day. But we never yet have seen a dog dig up a bone that he had buried and this thought has worried us exceedingly. Now it is all settled. The New York Sun comes forward with the explanation. "A dog buries bones," says the voracious Sun, "because it is his duty to amuse man. Come, his sly eye says to his master. I am about to bury, very secretly, a bone; I do not wish more than three or four witnesses. If you do not come to the yard I shall bury the bone under the sofa pillows."

And so there you are. What do you think about it?

We judge from the "round robins" being circulated among Ohio militiamen on the border that they are about as anxious right now to get away from Mexico as they were at first to get down there. And yet this is no reflection upon their patriotism. If occasion required these boys would fight just as hard and just as long as the next fellow. They simply find it irksome to sit around all day and dream of home and Christmas. Probably too they have some gold lace officers who have not learned the art of taking care of their men and whose conception of duty is to show their authority at every opportunity.

Our young niece, after writing a very elaborate letter to Santa Claus, thoughtfully called up the office to say that she knew we were crowded for space right now and so if some one would just show her letter to Uncle Harry it would be all right and we needn't put it in the paper.

Are men vain? A girl reporter on the Cleveland Press says that they are, after spending an afternoon in a barber shop. She declares she found men to be twice as vain as women; that although men visit a barber shop only a barber shop as a matter of fact they look upon it as a beauty parlor; that nine men out of ten want to look like Mr. Adonis.

At that we are just wondering if "Young Doc" is just trying to smoke John Eckhart out or to scare him out, when he announces his intention of going after the city treasurer'ship next fall.

Almost every weekly paper in this section has raised its subscription price from \$1 a year to either \$1.25 or \$1.50 a year. And at that they are having a hard time to make both ends meet, so alarmingly high has paper become.

We rejoice to see evidences of material prosperity these days in the enlarged and crowded columns of the Gallipolis Tribune. The Tribune serves its community exceedingly well and it is an asset to its town.

APPARENTLY NOTHING TO FIGHT OVER



EDITORIAL MOTOR TROUBLES

(Camden (Mich.) Advance)

The editor and family met with an experience Monday afternoon while returning from Reading in their auto. When just south of Samuel Bigelman's farm we met several boys on their way home from school, among the number were two of Al Brown's boys. We noticed the boys long before we got to them walking back and forth across the road, the younger Brown boy being the last one and just as we were about to pass them, the older Brown boy threw up his hands and frightened his little brother and he started to cross the road on the opposite side of where the other boys were. We see his maneuvers just in time to pull the car to the west side into the ditch, but the front wheel hit him and knocked him down, but luckily did not hurt him much. As we brought the car to such a quick stop after going into the ditch our little granddaughter, who was sitting on the front seat with us, was thrown out over the front door and we caught her by her underclothing. This is the second time we have been obliged to drive into the ditch on account of children cutting zigzag tracks across the highway. The older Brown boy was entirely to blame for the mishap and we venture to say he will be more careful hereafter.

Scarcely a day goes by now that a new guest does not appear at "Bill" Sprague's little congressional announcement party. First there came Roy McElhenny, then Mark Crawford, then Senator Tremper and now a big noise in the person of Arthur Bannan has walked into the house. We suggest to Bill that the next time he starts out to give a party he have a guest list and be blamed exclusive about it. The way the thing is going now the host bids fair to be eaten out of house and home and lucky to escape with a shirt on his back.

You meet an exceedingly fine and clever set of gentlemen in the political game. Mostly they are men above the average and it is a delight and a pleasure to know them. That is one reason why so many men are willing to give their time and their money to advancing party interests when you could not give them an office on a golden platter.

Some people turn up their noses at literature, but a Columbus literary club was found to be equipped for fire bank, draw poker, stud poker and other classic pursuits.—Cleveland Leader.

Senior Villa promises to pay Chihuahua City another visit. Yet it seems scarcely possible that he overlooked anything valuable the last time.—Marion Star.

It is said that the British government will prohibit the manufacture of hipkins. Does the British government want the British ladies to go around looking like ancient Britannia, with her golden hair hanging down her back?—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

It looks as if a child can't put his playthings where they will be safe. No matter which floor he leaves them in the middle of, someone is almost sure to step on them.—Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

Keot-Poots



(By J. F. D. and Shonk)

The Keot Poots say a bashful child
Will make you angry, almost wild.
They don't do right, they never hurry
So its up to them and we should worry—
If they always shy and bashful
Why they won't ever earn a cent.

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Reorganizing Sales Dept.

The Superior Portland Cement Co., whose plant is located at Superior, Lawrence county, with offices in the Union Trust building, Cincinnati, has completely reorganized its sales department since the property was lifted from Federal receivership and restored to its original owners, making Benjamin Jones, Oak Hill, sales manager.—Irontonian.

On Business.

A. N. Martin of Cincinnati, industrial agent of the B. & O. railroad, was in Portsmouth on official business Thursday.

George H. Freshel, proprietor of the Palace cafe and restaurant is ill.

NEW-YORK-DAY-BY-DAY.

O-O-M-E-N-T-Y-R-E.

New York, Dec. 22.—It remained for a janitress to flash one of the most illuminating searchlights yet turned on the cost of living in this justly celebrated metropolis. Before the Wicks legislative probe the janitress unfolded her tale of twelve years' experience.

She related how the milkman, the ice-man and the baker "come across" to the janitor or the janitress to secure the trade of the tenants in apartment houses.

It was shown that out of the prices they exact from ordinary consumers, the milk, ice and bread companies get enough to keep the janitor supplied free from these commodities, besides paying him an initial \$15 or \$25 fee for his good-will and remember him with gifts at Christmas.

The wise janitress moves as often as she can into a newly built house, thereby obtaining bigger "advances" from food dealers competing for the trade of incoming tenants. The hall boys are also squared by the milk companies and even physicians, it was brought out, have been known to receive a 10 per cent discount on their milk bills when they recommended raw instead of pasteurized milk to their patients.

In short, the humble flat dweller is taxed for the cost of half a dozen other people's living.

The Black Art of press agentry has received an impetus by a clever Broadway member of the clan. His latest achievement is a wonder. A certain show opened last week. The criticisms next day were bad for the show. One paper in particular minced no words.

Two or three days later this press agentry genius began his advertising campaign. Somehow or other he discovered catch phrases favorable to the play in question in the stories of every critic in New York.

Even the man who came out with-out mincing words had praised something or other in it and was daily quoted. And the play is now lifted out of the greased skids to failure to a whooping success. The young man did not misquote the critic in any single instance.

In the grill of the Knickerbocker there is a very talented young singer, who sings good-natured songs to the

able prices Brehmer, the Painter.

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If their Famous Marigold Cream does not do what they claim for it, it is a fragrant preparation, soothes and heals the chapped and irritated skin. One application before retiring will convince you of the great merit of this preparation. One trial will please and make a customer.

Try it after shaving, not sticky nor greasy.

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Price 10 and 25c

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To All Gas Consumers

When using a gas range, if the flame blackens the utensil, it is because the burners need cleaning and adjusting. If the flame in the heating stove is yellow, it is due to the same cause.

If you are having any of these troubles, notify us, and we will have a man call and adjust your stove.

The Portsmouth Gas Co.

NEW PATTERNS

Have Arrived An expert tailor at your service

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The Lights of Christmas Eve

They glimmer and glow on the tradden snow
Where the busy shoppers come and go;
Steady and clear and full of cheer,
Flashing the olden message dear:
"It is more blessed to give than receive."

O cheery lights of Christmas Eve!

Their radiance pours on the crowded floors
And the jumbled shelves of the city stores,
Mid bustle and waste and stocks displaced
Where tardy buyers buy in haste
Lost someone, forgotten, tomorrow grieve,
O dazzling lights of Christmas Eve!

But their fairest light is shed to-night
In the homes where Christmas trees gleam bright
With tinsel swung and with stockings hung
The gaily garnished boughs among,
Waiting to hold what Santa will leave,
O happy lights of Christmas Eve!

—Walter G. Doty.

Passing Time

"Bud," a typical southern roustabout of ebony hue, was slowly and dreamily shuffling along the street, and softly whistling, "The Memphis Blues."

Passing down in front of the county jail one of his old cronies who was in durandee vile, peered through the bars, and hailed with, "What time is it, Bud?"

Bud stopped looked up to the barred window, and asked slowly, "What difference it make to you what time it is—yer ain't going no where, is you?"

Shrewd Salesman
Sales Manager—What's this item, "Overhead Expense, \$4," on your expense account?

Traveling Salesman—I got caught in the rain one day and bought an umbrella.

Standing Room Only
They tell of a Slav who was in hard luck and was given a pair of trousers at the charity headquarters and told to go into a room and put them on. When he came out the superintendent asked, "How do they fit?"

"Day fit tighter as my skin."

"Tighter than your skin! That is impossible!"

"I kenne seat down in my skin, but not in dese!"

Troubles of The Wholesaler
The wholesaler man has naught to annoy, and his lot is a steady round of joy.

"Worms in the apples, skippers in the cheese; weevils in the rice and bugs in the peas."

"Canned goods swelling, sugar going down. 'Say! Another fellow's busted in town!'"

"Books don't balance, prunes full of lice, syrup fermenting, cellar full of mice, rats in the apt, childish turning red, pickles all soft and ruin in the shed."

"Jones gave a mortgage. Smith has assigned." Brown one under, "Your offer declined."

Row with the salesmen, credit man sick, and nothing from the trade but kick! kick! kick!"

—Salt Seller.

"Bright" Pupils In Buffalo
In files there is the danger of sickness as they go and set on some dead animal and in garbage barrels and etc., and then they come in the pantry, so in the sugar bowl, bathe in the milk and come and sit on you.

The brain is in the northern part of the head.

The heart is in the northeastern part of the chest.

The lungs are in the eastern and western part of our chest.

The stomach is in the northwestern part of our abdomen.

Flies are dangerous because they go in the pantry and sit on the pies.

One USE for mosquitoes is when they bite you it pains very much.

The danger in dust is all kinds of Germans.

Flies are dangerous because they wipe their feet on our cake.—Answer in a Buffalo Grammar School.

Missed The Transient Trade
A colored barber was complaining to one of his white patrons because his boss had not promoted him up to the first chair at the entrance of the shop.

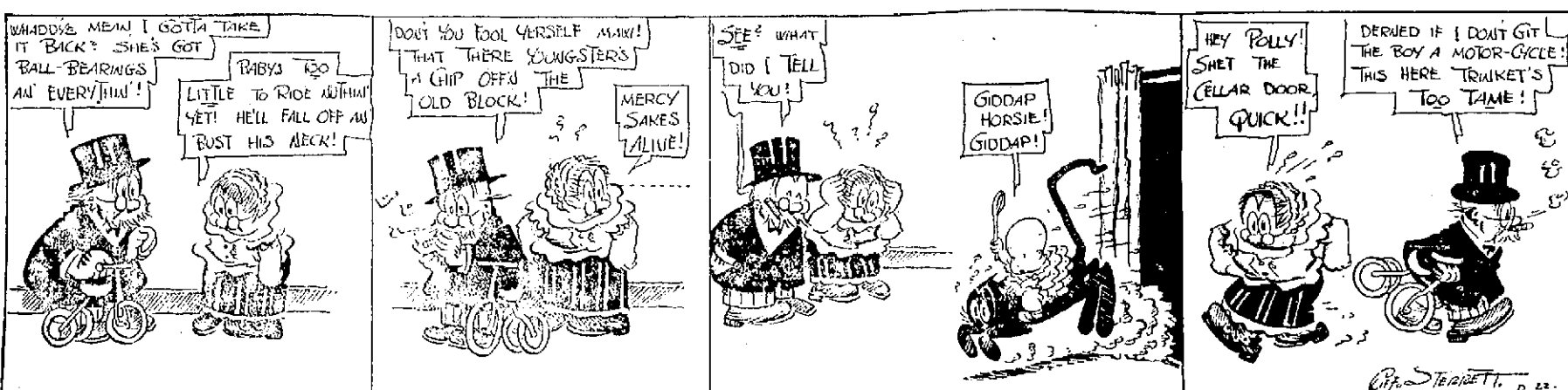
"What difference does it make to you whether you are on the first or the last chair—your friends will come direct to you anyhow?" said the white patron.

"Yessir, dat's so," replied the colored barber, "but yer seems ter ferget de fust chair catches mos' all de transom' trade."

POLLY AND HER PALS

Baby Is Some Jockey, All Right

By CLIFF STERRETT



BLIZZARD GRIPS CENTRAL OHIO

WILSON'S NOTE BEARS NO THREAT

TRAFFIC BLOCKED AND BUSINESS AT A STANDSTILL

Columbus, Ohio, Dec. 22.—Street car and interurban service was paralyzed and steam roads were badly crippled throughout Central Ohio this morning as a result of one of the most severe snowstorms in years. There were no interurban cars operating out of Columbus up to 9 o'clock this morning and very few street cars were running in the city. Thousands of people were compelled to walk to their work. Merchants, in the midst of the final Christmas shopping, found few customers in the stores. Dozens of big automobiles were stranded in snowdrifts around Columbus. The United States weather bureau this morning reported there had been five inches of snowfall. There was a 40-mile gale blowing during the storm which caused the snow to drift. Authorities of Columbus this morning recruited a veritable army of workmen and teams to clear the principal downtown streets of the snow drifts.

TRAFFIC PARALYZED BY AN OHIO BLIZZARD

Canton, O., Dec. 22.—Not a car wind, has drifted so that traffic is running on the Canton street almost impossible. All steam railroads, on the Canton, roads entering this city are either Akron, Canton, Alliance and Canton practically tied or the schedules between Massillon and New Philadelphia, Moravia, Milford and Broad and other interurban lines at 7 o'clock grocery delivery men find it impossible to get through. This section is in the midst of a blizzard. A snowfall of five inches will be impossible in many about 10 inches, carried by a high sections today.

RUSSO-RUMANIANS AND TEUTONIC ALLIES IN VIOLENT BATTLE

The following review of the days events in the European war is compiled by experts in the Associated Press office in New York from dispatches and information received through various reliable sources at their command.

New York, Dec. 22.—In the Dobruja region of Rumania, where the Russo-Rumanian forces have been upon the invaders, the Teutonic allies have been driven from the heights on which they had stationed themselves and the Russians and Rumanians now are in a violent battle for the possession of other positions along this line. In Rumania proper, the Teutons are advancing, but are meeting with stout resistance from the Russians and Rumanians. Along the Pribaltic front, the Teutonic allies have pushed back the advance guard of the invaders.

Except for the battle in Rumania, in the Carpathians, where the Russians have captured several heights, and at various points on the Russian front, where attacks by the Russians have been repulsed by the Germans, the infantry activity is being directed at the Verdun sector where the French made a notable advance last week, the Germans have violently bombarded the Louvemont-Vaux front.

Snow and rain are falling in Macedonia, and aside from an engagement in the Cerna river bend region, no infantry fighting has taken place. In Mesopotamia the British report successful bombardments of Turkish river craft and land positions.

Arrested for kidnapping own child

Martin's Ferry, Ohio, Dec. 22.—Mrs. Ella Travers, of Bellaire, is under arrest here charged with kidnapping her 14-year-old daughter from the county children's home. Three years ago the Bellamont County Humane Society was awarded custody of the child by the court.

England Surprised By Wilson's Action

London, Dec. 22.—The general public had their first news of President Wilson's note from the morning papers and the matter was the one topic of conversation on incoming suburban trains and throughout the country. The people, like the press, were rather taken aback as they had about arrived at the conclusion that Premier Lloyd-George's speech had put an end to all peace talk unless the Central Powers, in their reply to the premier, were prepared to define their terms. That the president or any other neutral ruler would take any action, was farthest from their mind.

The evening papers, which do not print editorials, came out with big headlines which expressed their views. The Evening News, which is the

WOMEN AND CHILDREN MISSING FOLLOWING A FIRE IN MASONIC HOME

Wichita, Kas., Dec. 22.—Ten persons, eight children and two aged women, are believed to have lost their lives in a fire which early today destroyed the Kanasa Masonic Home in the western part of the city. Ninety-two persons were in the building when the fire broke out and firemen directed their efforts to rescuing them.

The fire, which originated in the furnace room, got beyond control before water could be turned on it, due to frozen water mains, the temperature being

PLAN FOR UNIVERSAL MILITARY TRAINING TO BE LAID BEFORE CONGRESS

Washington, D. C., Dec. 22.—A definite plan for universal military training will be laid before congress next month in the shape of a bill formulated by the general staff of the army, accompanied by complete estimates of costs, as compared to the present volunteer system.

Major General Hugh L. Scott, chief of staff, told the house mili-



GERMAN SUBMARINE SUNK BY DESTROYERS

Paris, Dec. 22.—The German submarine U-45 has been sunk by destroyers, according to a Nantes dispatch. The U-45 recently sank steamers off Saint Nazaire.

Seek a position through TIMES WANT ADS. Employers of labor read them carefully.

German Paper Is Disappointed With Lloyd-George's Reply

Berlin, Dec. 22, Via London, 6 a. m. —The Vorwarts, which was one of the first newspapers in Germany to publish the premier's speech, expresses deep disappointment over the speech of Lloyd-George. The paper cites passages in the speech from which it claims the only logical inference is that Germany must swallow the Entente's terms, firstly, the Entente refuses to terms whole and unseparated before

ANOTHER BRITISH SHIP IS SUNK

London, Dec. 22.—Lloyd's reports the sinking of the British steamship Itanus. The Itanus, 5,340 tons gross, was owned in Melbourne. She was in the service of the British government.

STOCK MARKET SHOWS SHARP RECOVERY

New York, Dec. 22.—Opening prices on the stock market today showed a sharp recovery from the closing quotations of yesterday.

[BULLETIN] Chicago, Dec. 22.—Wheat today opened nervous and irregular with prices from quarter of a cent under to one and three-quarter cents over yesterday's close. A sharp break quickly ensued. May dropped to \$1.02½, a maximum overnight loss of one and a quarter cents. July fell to \$1.34½, a similar loss. At the top, at the opening, May sold at \$1.05 and July at \$1.36½. Traders seemed perplexed in endeavors to interpret the so-called peace situation.

WEATHER

Ohio—Fair tonight except snow in northeast portion. Colder with a cold wave in southeast portion. Saturday fair, slightly warmer in west portion.

Adam—Time must hang heavy on your hands.

Eve—Why, honey?

Adam (recklessly)—Well, you wear a wrist watch.—Columbia Jester.

FEAR OF U. S. BEING FORCED TO ENTER THE WAR IS DISPELLED BY LATE INTERPRETATION

(BULLETIN) London, Dec. 22.—An Exchange Telegraph dispatch from The Hague, says it is announced semi-officially that should the Entente Allies in their reply to the peace proposals of the Central Powers leave the door open for negotiations, Germany will make known her chief peace terms immediately.

Washington, Dec. 22.—President Wilson's note to the belligerents, urging discussion of peace, was officially interpreted late yesterday as not bearing any threat that the United States might be forced to enter the war because of the continued invasion of its right by the warring powers on both sides.

This interpretation was made late yesterday by Secretary Lansing in a formal statement issued to overtake what were characterized as widespread misconstructions placed on one given earlier in the day saying that because of the increasingly critical position of the United States as a neutral, it was entitled to know exactly what each belligerent seeks in order that it might regulate its conduct for the future.

Secretary Lansing's final statement formally prepared and issued after he had been called to the White House for a conference with the president declared that he had not intended to intimate that the United States was considering any change in its policy of neutrality to indicate its purpose without further comment on its part.

Mr. Lansing's first statement, made orally and of which no official copy was distributed, led to exaggerations of its language and purpose throughout official Washington.

When word of what the secretary of state had said spread throughout the capital it created the greatest consternation in official circles and among the foreign diplomats.

At the White House no comment whatever was made on the note itself or on the two statements by Secretary Lansing.

The German embassy gave no outward evidences of concern over the sudden developments.

The general understanding was that the purpose of the explanation made by Secretary Lansing was to enable the envoys to whom he spoke to communicate to their own governments the underlying purpose of the president's action at this time.

Further the opinion prevailed that the United States expected to be fully informed of all terms including those relating to territory.

London, Dec. 22.—Absolute and startling surprise was the first feeling in Great Britain, aroused by President Wilson's note. The government was surprised and frankly admitted so. The members of parliament were equally surprised when the news spread through both houses during the afternoon session.

The newspaper offices were surprised and undoubtedly the public will be equally surprised when they read Ambassador Page's

6 AMERICANS ON TORPEDOED BRITISH SHIP

Washington, D. C., Dec. 22.—An official report to the state department today from the American consul at Malta, said that the British horse ship St. Ursula, bound from Saloniki to Montreal, in ballast, with six Americans in the crew, was sunk without warning by a torpedo from a submarine of unknown nationality, on December 12th. Two officers reported seeing the wake of the submarine and its periscope but not its flag. The survivors, including six Americans, were landed in Malta, six hours afterward. Four men are still missing.

The state department has ordered the investigation.

YOUR STANDARDS

Set your mark high and then strive with all your being to live up to it. The most difficult problem that any human being has to solve is the prevention of an insidious lowering of his standards. It is so easy to drop into habits of neglect in small matters that were once considered duties that the whole life has slipped to a lower plane before one is aware of it. Keep your standards high and unswerving.

FLASHES FROM THE REAL CENTERS OF SPORT

Big Game Postponed, Auto Accident Cause

It sure was tough luck not to have the Irons bowlers arrive Thursday night when big preparations had been made to entertain them. The "near visitors" did the right thing in calling up over long distance telephone and notifying Manager Lou Diste of the local team that it would be impossible for them to bowl in Portsmouth Thursday night. The Irons team started for this city in an automobile but the machine broke down near Hanging Rock and the party from the Salt City had to turn back. Campbell's Chesties were to roll against the Eltons on the Crystal Palace alleys. A fine lunch had been prepared for the visitors but in order not to have the lunch spoil about a dozen of the bowlers in the Crystal Palace league enjoyed the "food". The Irons bowlers sent word they would be here next Thursday night as they would start early so if they had an accident they could walk and get in here in plenty of time to play.

RULES DON'T INCLUDE BRICKS

Detroit, Dec. 22.—"Willie" Heston, the greatest huffer ever developed at the University of Michigan, now is Hon. William M. Heston, justice of the peace, in Detroit.

One of the first cases the magistrate tried after his election had to do with football.

John Atkins, star of a team composed of negro athletes was the defendant, H. Noskovich was the complaining witness.

Mr. Noskovich was strolling with a friend. As they approached Brady and Antoine streets, there was a boom, a roar—a brown missile tore off Mr. Noskovich's hat.

An argument followed, and so the parties were summoned to appear before Heston.

Mr. Noskovich declared he didn't mind the whack on the head which he received from the football, but insisted that somebody followed up the attack with a brick and that the brick hit him where his hat had been before the football carried it away.

Heston listened patiently.

"Football is a nice game, but bricks are no part of it," he said solemnly, as he fined Atkins \$10.

To Play Notre Dame

Kalamazoo, Mich., Dec. 22.—Kalamazoo college which won the state collegiate football championship this season and which will have a veteran eleven in 1917, hopes to schedule games with Notre Dame and Wabash. "Positive arrangements for these contests have been completed."

South Wins Honors

New York, Dec. 22.—The close of the intercollegiate football season finds both the team and individual scoring honors held by a Southern eleven and player.

A comparison of the records of the leading teams of the East, South and Middle West shows that the Georgia Tech. combination scored 420 points in nine games with Georgetown University a close second with 417 while left half-back Girony, of Georgetown, leads the individual point collectors with a total of 131 points and Oliphant, of the Army team, is second with 112. Mauldsch of Michigan is a close third.

Is An Old Timer

Ann Arbor, Mich., Dec. 22.—Sterling Bullock, caretaker of Perry Field club house, where the University of Michigan's football warriors dress, has been identified with Michigan athletics for 40 years.

Years ago, one of Bullock's chief duties was to mend the university football, for in those days the institution possessed but one leather each season. Bullock and his wife also made the running togs for the track athletes.

Branch Rickey To Address Bible Class

J. H. Finney, teacher of the Men's Bible Class at Trinity church, has succeeded in securing Branch Rickey of Duck Run, near Lucasville, to talk next Sunday morning to the class in Sunday school. Mr. Rickey will be brought before the class Sunday morning, when he will give one of his famous lectures that has made him perhaps the most sought public speaker in St. Louis. Mr. Rickey has been a player and manager in the American League. He is a graduate of the Lucasville schools, also Ann Arbor and Delaware. He is a lawyer and a live wire, and members of Trinity Bible Class are promised a treat Sunday when Mr. Rickey talks. Men not regular members of the class are invited to hear Mr. Rickey, who will speak to only the Men's Class.

STIFF, SORE MUSCLES RELIEVED

Cramped muscles or soreness following a cold or case of grippe are eased and relieved by an application of Sloan's Liniment. Does not stain the skin or clog the pores like mussy ointments or plasters and penetrates quickly without rubbing. Limber up your muscles after exercise, drive out the pains and aches of rheumatism, neuralgia, lumbago, strains, sprains and bruises with Sloan's Liniment. Get a bottle today. At all Druggists, 25c.

Want Advertisements, London, 1893.

I want a young man that can read and write, mow and roll a garden, use a gun at a deer and understand country sports and to wait at table and such like.

I want a complete young man that will wear livery to wait on a very noble gentleman, but he must know how to play on a violin or a flute.

I want a genteel footman that can play on the violin to wait on a person of honor.

If I can meet with a sober man that has a counted tenor voice I can help him to a place worth £30 the year or more.—Sampson's "History of Advertisements."

Won by a Name.

During the Afghan war of 1879 a small British detachment gained a victory over a large body of the enemy by a mistaken order. A private named Vance, who had distinguished himself by several acts of bravery, was a great favorite with one of the officers, and during a skirmish the officer wanted him to carry a dispatch to the colonel in command of another detachment. The man was only a few yards away, and he called out "Vance" at the top of his voice. The men thought he had given the order "Advance" and immediately rushed forward with such dash and spirit that the enemy broke and fled.

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Despite the advancing cost of other fuels, Gas continues to furnish the same dependable heat for the same economical price, and minus the work, smoke, soot, or fumes of other methods of heating.

Portsmouth Gas Co.

John McMillan

Superintendent

13 Win Their "I's"

Thirteen men of the Irons high school football squad were presented with letters for their work on the past season's team. The "I's" were presented by Principal Davis.

The boys who received letters were: Mittendorf, Haney, Hayes, Fritz, Lane, Schaefer, Ball, Wilson, Davies, Proctor, Jones, Markin and Hughes.

Haney has been elected captain of the 1917 team and Howell Fritz, manager.

TRACK COACH RE-ENGAGED

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 22.—Leonard Frank, track coach at the University of Minnesota, has been re-engaged for another year at an increased salary.

\$220,000 GYM

East Lansing, Mich., Dec. 22.—The \$220,000 gymnasium of the Michigan Agricultural College is nearing completion. Plans also are under way for equipping the new athletic field of 35 acres. The field is on the south shore of Red Cedar river, opposite the gymnasium.

Prepared.

A cotton broker employed a young woman stenographer who was an aptly incorrect speller. She was so competent in every other way he bought her a dictionary and advised her to use it regularly.

The next morning when he came down to his office he noticed that to protect the new book from the constant wear she was expected to give it she had covered the binding with cloth, and across the cover she had written "Dictionary."

Force of Habit.

It happened at a wedding in a small town and, as usual, the minister in the course of the ceremony said, "If any one has sought to say why this couple should not be joined in the holy bonds of wedlock let him now speak or forever hold his peace."

During the silence that followed an absentminded man who was accustomed to serving as a chairman of meetings arose and, tapping the top of the pew sharply with his knuckles, said "There being no objection, the motion is carried."—Argonaut.

Indifferent.

"You're a fine bunch," said the valedictorian to his classmates after he had finished his speech.

"What's the matter now?" asked one of them. "Have we done anything to hurt your feelings?"

"Yes, you have," was the indignant reply. "When I stood up there delirating that speech that I've been working on for the last six weeks you loafers didn't pay any more attention to me than if I'd been one of the profs sors."—Exchange.

George Freund

DRUGGIST

Gallia and Offene Streets

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DOES SHE WISH FOR A DISH?
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Front and Chillicothe Streets

Games Tonight

The Empires will oppose Zuhar's Zebars and the Pioneers will roll against Hyland's Braves in the Crystal Palace bowling league tonight.

AFTER "BIG NINE" SWIMMING HONORS

Chicago, Dec. 22.—Northwestern University, which set a sizzling pace in the Western Conference football race last season, is developing a team to win the "Big Nine" swimming honors. Coach Tom Robinson's ability to develop swimmers has attracted high class talents.

Sober and competent workmen with Brehmer, the Painter.

German and German.

German silver was not invented in Germany and does not contain any one particle of real silver. It is really an alloy of copper, nickel and zinc. The word "german" is really a corruption of the original word "germane," which means "related to." Therefore it is "germane silver," meaning "related to" silver. So with "german measles."

City League

An important meeting of basketball players interested in a city basketball league will be held tonight at the Club on Fourth street at 7:30 o'clock. Every man expecting to be in the league should be represented. Matters pertaining to finances for the use of a basketball floor will be discussed.

Didn't Want a Postoffice.

In most countries the introduction of postal facilities is regarded as an un-mixed blessing, but it was not so in Korea. The postoffice erected there in 1886 had but a brief existence. The mob, in their blind hatred of all innovations, rioted and burned it to the ground. The natural result was to make Korean stamps of the first issue in a state of great value. The matter was allowed to drop for a time, and it was not until ten years later that the present system was established.

The latest telephone wires in Portsmouth are those leading to the TIMES WANT AD department.

Tinker May Boss Columbus

Chicago, Dec. 22.—Joseph Tinker, former manager of the Chicago National league club, is on his way to Columbus, Ohio, today for the purpose, it is said, of continuing his negotiations for the purchase of the Columbus American Association club.

Tinker said before he left here last night for the Ohio city that he hoped to close the deal soon and that a Chicago capitalist would assist in financing the purchase of the club.

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No. 1 Cincinnati daily 8:49 A. M.
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No. 7 Local Daily 2:45 P. M.

East Bound

No. 6 New York Daily 10:47 A. M.
No. 8 Huntington daily 11:45 A. M.
No. 2 New York daily 2:57 P. M.
No. 16 Huntington Ex. Sunday 7:40 P. M.
No. 4 Washington daily 12:04 night

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Call 18 C. & O. office, 202 Chillicothe St. for further information.

D. A. GRIMES, Asst.

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LEGAL NOTICE

Zella Wilburn, whose last place of residence was near Upper Tugate, Kentucky, will take notice that Walter Wilburn, a minor by his last friend, Robert Wilburn, husband of said Zella Wilburn, on the 22nd day of September, A. D. 1916, filed in the Court of Common Pleas of Boone County, his certain petition in divorce against said Zella Wilburn on the ground of Fraudulent Contract and Cruelty.

That said cause will be for hearing and said court on and after six weeks and one day after the first publication hereof, to-wit on and after the 20th day of January, A. D. 1917.

WALTER WILBURN, a minor by his next friend ROBERT WILBURN, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the petition filed by said Zella Wilburn.

THOMAS R. BROWN, Clerk

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the probate court of Boone County, Ohio, on the 12th day of December, 1916, has appointed the partnership of J. G. & C. W. of York & Hume or H. Hume & C. W. of New York, Ohio, as executor of the last will and testament of the late HENRY R. BROWN, deceased.

A. T. Yoder, Atty.

Dec. 11, 1916.

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AFTER THE WRENCH, WHAT?

Doing what it supposes to be the proper thing, undoubtedly, the public utilities board has closed down numerous industrial plants over the state, because the shortage of gas has made this fuel scarce in the homes of a number of cities.

It is well that the homes be kept warm, but another phase is presented to the problem, which is best stated in the words of an employee of the local steel plant, who in yesterday's Times said, "If they don't get gas to the industries before long, they won't have to worry about me keeping my home warm. I won't have any to keep warm if the pay roll stops."

Nearly 2,500 men are out of work at the steel plant, because it has been forced to suspend. Several hundred are out of employment because other plants have been forced to suspend. This means an alarming loss to the individuals, who have been counting on steady work; to many it means the loss of their houses; it means much to the merchants of the community who have laid their plans with every expectation of these industries continuing to run.

Some one is to blame for the situation.

It is easy enough to order the wrench to shut off the gas supply of the industrial plants. Most anyone could solve the problem in that manner. But, as in the case of the local steel plant, many of these industries have undoubtedly installed gas after promises of a necessary supply of fuel under all conditions. If the commissions and boards are to escape the censure that will follow full consideration of the question, they will determine whether the gas companies have made all efforts possible to live up to their contracts, and have developed their fields as they signed their contracts, and made their promises.

Seventy-four men, three women, seventy-four empty suit cases and three empty handbags from up in West Virginia dropped off an N. & W. train at Ironton the other morning. Seventy-four men and three women with seventy-seven different varieties of jags, seventy-four suit cases and three handbags loaded with booze, boarded the evening N. & W. train at Ironton for their West Virginia homes. In the interim they had staged a baby riot at the depot, according to the Register, and in various other boisterous ways demonstrated that they were having a "big time," on their little excursion to a moist zone. It's interesting, all this. But unless all signs fail such "big times" will grow scarcer and scarcer within the next few years. Things do seem to be moving that way.

We have often wondered why a dog buries a bone. We have seen hundreds of dogs at this cheerful and apparently thoughtful occupation and we have marveled at the intelligence that prompted Mr. Dog to lay aside a bone for a rainy day. But we never yet have seen a dog dig up a bone that he had buried and this thought has worried us exceedingly. Now it is all settled. The New York Sun comes forward with the explanation. "A dog buries bones," says the venerable Sun, "because it is his duty to amuse man. Come, his sly eye says to his master. I am about to bury, very secretly, a bone; I do not wish more than three or four witnesses. If you do not come to the yard I shall bury the bone under the sofa pillows."

And so there you are. What do you think about it?

We judge from the "round robins" being circulated among Ohio militiamen on the border that they are about as anxious right now to get away from Mexico as they were at first to get down there. And yet this is no reflection upon their patriotism. If occasion required these boys would fight just as hard and just as long as the next fellow. They simply find it irksome to sit around all day and dream of home and Christmas. Probably too they have some old lace officers who have not learned the art of taking care of their men and whose conception of duty is to show their authority at every opportunity.

Our young niece, after writing a very elaborate letter to Santa Claus, thoughtfully called up the office to say that she knew we were crowded for space right now and so if some one would just show her letter to Uncle Harry it would be all right and we needn't put it in the paper.

Are men vain? A girl reporter on the Cleveland Press says that they are, after spending an afternoon in a barber shop. She declares she found men to be twice as vain as women; that although men visit a barber shop is only a barber shop as a matter of fact they look upon it as a beauty parlor; that nine men out of ten want to look like Mr. Adonis.

At that we are just wondering if "Young Doc" is just trying to make John Eckhart out or to scare him out, when he announces his intention of going after the city treasurership next fall.

Almost every weekly paper in this section has raised its subscription price from \$1 a year to either \$1.25 or \$1.50 a year. And at that they are having a hard time to make both ends meet, so shamefully high has paper become.

We rejoice to see evidences of material prosperity these days in the enlarged and crowded columns of the Gallipolis Tribune. The Tribune serves its community exceedingly well and it is an asset to its town.

APPARENTLY NOTHING TO FIGHT OVER



EDITORIAL MOTOR TROUBLES

(Camden (Mich.) Advance)

The editor and family met with an experience Monday afternoon while returning from Reading in their auto. When just south of Samuel Rigelman's farm we met several boys on their way home from school, among the number were two of Al Brown's boys. We noticed the boys long before we got to them walking back and forth across the road, we sounded the alarm and the boys all got on the east side of the road, the younger Brown boy being the last one and just as we were about to pass them, the older Brown boy threw up his hands and frightened his little brother and he started to cross the road on the opposite side of where the other boys were. We see his maneuvers just in time to pull the car to the west side into the ditch, but the front wheel hit him and knocked him down, but luckily did not hurt him much. As we brought the car to such a quick stop after going into the ditch our little granddaughter, who was sitting on the front seat with us, was thrown out over the front door and we caught her by her underclothing. This is the second time we have been obliged to drive into the ditch on account of children cutting zigzag tracks across the highway. The older Brown boy was entirely to blame for the mishap and we venture to say he will be more careful hereafter.

Scarcely a day goes by now that a new guest does not appear at "Bill" Sprague's little congressional announcement party. First there came Roy McElhenny, then Mark Crawford, then Senator Tremper and now a big noise in the person of Arthur Bannan has walked into the house. We suggest to Bill that the next time he starts out to give a party he have a guest list and be blamed exclusive about it. The way the thing is going now the host bids fair to be eaten out of house and home and lucky to escape with a shirt on his back.

You meet an exceedingly fine and clever set of gentlemen in the political game. Mostly they are men above the average and it is a delight and a pleasure to know them. That is one reason why so many men are willing to give their time and their money to advancing party interests when you could not give them an office on a golden platter.

Some people turn up their noses at literature, but a Columbus literary club was found to be equipped for faro bank, draw poker, stud poker and other classic pursuits.—Cleveland Leader.

Senor Villa promises to pay Chilindua City another visit. Yet it seems scarcely possible that he overlooked anything valuable the last time.—Marion Star.

It is said that the British government will prohibit the manufacture of hairpins. Does the British government want the British ladies to go around looking like ancient Britannia, with her golden hair a-luving down her back?—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

It looks as if a child can't put his playthings where they will be safe. No matter which floor he leaves them in the middle of, someone is almost sure to step on them.—Fort Worth Star-Telegram.



NEW-YORK-DAY-BY-DAY

O.O. MCINTYRE.

New York, Dec. 22.—It remained for a janitress to flush one of the most illuminating scandals yet turned on the coast of living in this justly celebrated metropolis. Before the Wicks legislative probe the janitress unfolded her tale of twelve years' experience.

She related how the milkman, the ice man and the baker "come across" to the janitress or the janitress to secure the trade of the tenants in apartment houses.

It was shown that out of the prices they exact from ordinary consumers, the milk, ice and bread companies get enough to keep the janitress supplied free from these commodities, besides paying him an initial \$15 or \$25 fee for his good-will and remember him with gifts at Christmas.

The wise janitress moves as often as she can into a newly built house, thereby obtaining bigger "advances" from food dealers competing for the trade of incoming tenants.

The hull boys are also squared by the milk companies and even physicians, it was brought out, have been known to receive a 10 per cent discount on their milk bills when they recommended raw instead of pasteurized milk to their patients.

In short, the humble flat dweller is taxed for the cost of half a dozen other people's living.

The Black Art of press-agency has received an impetus by a clever Broadway member of the clan. His latest achievement is a wonder. A certain show opened last week. The criticisms next day were bad for the show. One paper in particular minced no words.

Two or three days later this press-agency genius began his advertising campaign. Somehow or other he discovered catch phrases favorable to the play in question in the stories of every critic in New York.

Even the man who came out without mincing words had praised something or other in it and was daily quoted. And the play is now lifted out of the greased skids to failure to a whooping success. The young man did not misquote the critic in any single instance.

In the grill of the Knickerbocker there is a very talented young singer, who sings good-natured songs to the

First quality work at reasonable prices. Bremer, the Painter.



The Lights of Christmas Eve

They glimmer and glow on the tradden snow
Where the busy shoppers come and go;
Steady and clear and full of cheer,
Flashing the olden message dear:
"It is more blessed to give than receive,"
O cheery lights of Christmas Eve!

Their radiance pours on the crowded floors
And the jumbled shelves of the city stores,
Mid bustle and waste and stocks displaced
Where tardy buyers buy in haste
Lest someone, forgotten, tomorrow grieve,
O dazzling lights of Christmas Eve!

But their fairest light is shed to-night
In the homes where Christmas trees gleam bright
With tinsel swung and with stockings hung
The gaily garnished boughs among,
Waiting to hold what Santa will leave,
O happy lights of Christmas Eve!
—Walter G. Daly.

Passing Time

"Bud," a typical southern roustabout of chony hue, was slowly and dreamily shuffling along the street, and softly whistling, "The Memphis Blues."

Passing down in front of the county jail one of his friends who was in durance vile, peeked through...

"What time is it, Bud?" Bud stopped looked up to the sky. "What difference it make to you what time it is—your car is going no where, is you?"

Shrodd Salesman Sales Manager—What's this item, "Overhead Expense, \$4," on your expense account? What's that stand for?

Traveling Salesman—I got caught in the rain one day and bought an umbrella.

Standing Room Only They tell of a Slav who was in hard luck and was given a pair of trousers at the charity headquarters and told to go into a room and put them on. When he came out the superintendent asked:

"How do they fit?" "Dey fit tighter as my skin."

"Tighter than your skin? That is impossible!" "I mean seat down in my skin, but not in dese!"

Troubles of The Wholesaler "The wholesaler has naught to smooch, and his lot is a steady round of joy."

"Worms in the apples, skippers in the cheese, weevils in the rice and bugs in the peas."

"Canned goods swelling, sugar going down. Say! Another fellow's busted in town!"

"Books don't balance, primes full of lice, syrup fermenting, mellar full of mice, rats in the sago, eddish turnip red, pickles all soft and rain in the shed."

"Jones gave a mortgage, Smith has assigned, 'Brown gone under, 'Your offer declined.' Row with the salesmen, credit man sick, and nothing from the trade but kick! kick! kick!"

—Salt Seller.

"Bright" Pupils In Buffalo In flies there is the danger of sickness as they go and set on some dead animal and in garbage barrels and etc., and then they come in the pantry, go in the sugar bowl, bathe in the milk and come and sit on you.

The brain is in the northern part of the head.

The heart is in the northeastern part of the chest.

The lungs are in the eastern and western part of our chest.

The stomach is in the north-western part of our abdomen.

Flies are dangerous because they go in the pantry and sit on the pies.

One USE for mosquitoes is when they bite you it pains very much.

The danger in dust is all kinds of Germans.

Flies are dangerous because they wipe their feet on our cake—Answer in a Buffalo Grammar School.

Missed The Transient Trade A colored barber was complaining to one of his white patrons because his boss had not promoted him up to the first chair at the entrance of the shop.

"What difference does it make to you whether you are on the first or the last chair—your friends will come direct to you anyhow?" said the white patron.

"Yassir, dat's so," replied the colored barber, "but ver weens ter ferget de fast chair, Antcham mos' all de transient trade."

Koot-Poots



(By J. F. D. and Shonk)

The Koot Poots say a bashful child Will make you angry, almost wild. They don't do right, they never hurry So its up to them and we should worry— If they always shy and bashful bent Why they won't ever earn a cent.

Copyright Applied for by Times Pub. Co. Reorganizing Sales Dept.

The Superior Portland Cement Co., whose plant is located at Superior, Lawrence county, with offices in the Union Trust building, Cincinnati, has completely reorganized its sales department since the property was lifted from Federal receivership and restored to its original owners, making Benjamin Jones, Oak Hill, sales manager.—Irontonian.

On Business.

A. N. Martin of Cincinnati, industrial agent of the B. & O. railroad, was in Portsmouth on official business Thursday.

George H. Freshel, proprietor of the Palace cafe and restaurant is ill.

COME AND GET YOUR MONEY

FISHER & STRECH PHARMACY

CORNER SIXTH AND CHILICOTHE STREETS

If their Famous Marigold Cream does not do what they claim for it, it is a fragrant preparation, soothes and heals the chapped and irritated skin. One application before retiring will convince you of the great merit of this preparation. One trial will please and make a customer.

Try it after shaving, not sticky nor greasy.

The skin absorbs it all.

Price 10 and 25c

NOTICE To All Gas Consumers

When using a gas range, if the flame blackens the stand, it is because the burners need cleaning and adjusting. If the flame in the heating stove is yellow, it is due to the same cause.

If you are having any of these troubles, notify us, and we will have a man call and adjust your stove.

The Portsmouth Gas Co.

NEW PATTERNS

Have Arrived An expert tailor at your service

McGarry, THE TAILOR, 821 GALLIA

By CLIFF STERRETT

Baby Is Some Jockey, All Right



37 Presents Donated For The First "1917" Baby

Send in your gift today for that 1917 baby or parents, if you have not already done so. Do your giving early just the same as you shop early. Don't overlook the first New Year's baby in your hurry to prepare for Christmas. Exactly three dozen and one gifts have been contributed and donated within ten days. Six names of contributors were added to the list Thursday. By Saturday night the number of presents are expected to reach fifty or more.

Mrs. William Mays, of Front and Bond streets, sent word to The Times Thursday that she would give baby a pair of crocheted booties.

Mrs. Sherman Smith has not overlooked baby. She will give the youngster a crocheted cap.

Sam Schloss, of the Schloss book store, on Gallia street, sent in word Thursday that he would give a baby chair.

Malavazos Company will give to the lucky parents a five pound box of fancy chocolates.

Walter Wilhelm, Chillicothe street jeweler, has ordered The Times to announce that he will give baby a gold ring.

Brady and Wear, butchers, of 2004 Robinson avenue, will give to the parents one large bunch of wieners.

Other contributors are: Times Publishing Company, \$20 gold piece for the baby. Times Publishing Company, basket of flowers for the mother.

S. Rosenthal, Chillicothe street merchant, an infant's long coat.

Mrs. J. A. Cooper, 1823 Eighth street, box of home-made candy.

Miss Anna Pfeiffer, baby cap, baby socks, and pair of white shoes.

Portsmouth Candy Company, box of Schrafft's chocolates.

Portsmouth Vulcanizing Company, hand made Irish crocheted baby cap.

Virgil Fowler, No. 2 Brownie camera.

J. W. Garrull, wall paper for one room.

Bennett and Babcock, pair of eye glasses for mother.

W. T. Bauer, 1 dozen 25 cent gas mantles.

Mrs. Jessie Barber, two beautiful night gowns for baby.

Mrs. George Samson, 2035 Gallia street, crocheted baby cap.

Jake Pfau, Eleventh street baker, month's supply of Beechmont Butter Loaf Bread to the family.

Charles King, Chillicothe street photographer, dozen cabinet photos of baby.

J. F. Benedict, of New Way Dry Cleaning establishment, Clay street, will clean and press one suit for father.

James Distel, of Distel Furniture Co., one baby walker.

C. L. Tarr, Second street piano dealer, baby's gold ring.

Philip Frick, Sciotoville agent Watkins Medicine Co., box toilet soap, box baby's talcum powder.

John D. Wente, Gallia street butcher, ten pounds Swift's Premium Bacon to the parents.

A. I. Hurth, Chillicothe street liquor dealer, large bottle of port wine to parents.

Mrs. George Erwin, of 1517 Third street, embroidered baby dress.

I. H. Stewart, of Stewart's cut rate pharmacy, on Gallia street, will give to baby a white Pyrolin Ivory baby set.

J. I. Mercer, in charge of the prescription department at Stewart's Cut Rate drug store, will give "dad"

a box of cigars.

The Bauer Broom Co., Seventeenth street, to baby a toy broom, to mother a carpet broom, to dad a clothes broom.

The Conger Printing Co., of Front street, will donate a number of birth announcements for the first 1917 baby.

George Ahrend, Chillicothe street haberdasher, will present dad with a fine \$3 hat.

M. Lehman & Bros., will give baby his or her first pair of shoes.

John Moeller, Gallia street

butcher, will give the parents ten pounds of Armour Star ham.

Mrs. S. A. Ingles, of 933 Third street, couple of pair of white crocheted booties.

I. Quasser, of Third street, new goose feathers for a baby's feather bed and small pillows.

Probate Judge, Recorder And Auditor To Name Commissioner

The successor to the late Thomas W. Watkins, president of the board of county commissioners, will be appointed by a committee consisting of Probate Judge Thomas C. Beatty, County Auditor S. D. Eckhart and County Recorder Henry

Becker, according to an announcement made at the offices of Prosecuting Attorney Joseph T. Mickelthwait Friday.

This committee shall meet within a reasonable period of time after the vacancy occurs on the board of county com-

missioners and ballot upon a successor. It requires two votes to appoint. The appointee shall serve until his successor shall be elected and qualified at a regular election.

In this case the appointee will serve until the county election of 1918.

ASHLAND FIRE CHIEF RELEASED

The fire which destroyed the Weinmeyer Bakery and the Nathan Rothschild buildings in Ashland, Monday night, has aroused the Kentucky citizens. Already Fire Chief Davenport has drawn his release. The committee also sent a delegation to protest to the Ohio Valley Electric Railway Company against the treatment of the city by the crew of the Coal Grove-Ashland ferryboat, which refused to make an extra trip to carry fire-fighting equipment to Ashland to help in fighting the flames. The street railway company owns 51 per cent of the boat and prompt action is demanded. It is expected that the entire Ashland fire department will be reorganized under direction of a man to be sent by the fire chief of Cincinnati-Ironton.

Wants Information About Boxing. The Times is in receipt of a letter from Leo P. Flynn, 325 East Fourteenth street, New York city, asking for information concerning clubs that are holding boxing matches.

Joseph, the Home of the Fish and Oyster House. Oysters strictly fresh 35c and 60c per quart; Steak Fish 15c; Crab Fish 20c; Rabbits, dressed, 10c; line, 25c; Chickens, young, 10c; extra line. No orders too small. Phone 914-L, 10th and Lincoln.

Ironton Visitor. Capt. J. Riddle, of the Ironton fire department, was in the city Thursday calling on friends at the Seventh street company.

Was In Columbus. R. E. Scott, passenger agent on the Norfolk and Western railroad, returned from a short business trip to Columbus Thursday evening.

Takes Job As Chef. Dave Reider resumed his former position as chef at the Palace restaurant Thursday, relieving Henry Deering, who has again taken up his regular duties as waiter.

On a Visit. E. E. Johnson, former chief clerk in the local B. & O. office, now company agent at Athens, O., arrived here Thursday for a week's vacation visit.

Gets a Turkey. Attorney R. F. Kinable is going to have a big turkey dinner on Christmas. The turkey is a gift of Postmaster H. C. Brown, of Manchester.

Just Like the Wind. As an example of the ability of the juvenile scholar to evolve unexpected meanings, a correspondent of the London Spectator relates that the following question was put to a class: "What is the fortune that bequeathed to Bishop Odo?" The reply came quite readily: "The wind blind." An explanation was demanded, and the explanation brought up the text: "There, sir, triumphantly, the lord says so." The sentence in the text "Odo was deprived of his see."

Don't let another sun set with your WANT ad. Use the TIMES which reaches over 9,000 homes every day.

Want Referendum On Elimination Of Strikes

The United States Chamber of Commerce has asked for a referendum for the elimination of strikes and lock-outs on railroad, the railroads and employees and carriers. A copy of the referendum was received by R. E. Thomas, secretary of the board of trade.

Three proposals are given. The first is that there shall be a public investigation of all disputes between the railroads and employees before steps are taken to interrupt the service. The second, that a board of arbitration be appointed to settle difficulties. This board is to consist of an equal number of representatives from the railroads and employees and a majority of the committee shall be selected to represent the railroads. The third, that a permanent board be appointed to prepare statistics on wages and conditions on railroads and have them ready to submit to a board, should a dispute arise.

The referendum shall be balloted upon at the next meeting of the board of trade.

GIRLS OF H. S. FORM GLEE CLUB

A Girls' Glee Club has been formed in the high school. The club already has a membership of 50, girls from all four classes, including. The officers are: President, Jennie Lynn; vice-president, Mary Butler; secretary, Martha Phillips; Librarian, Carline Johnson; Miss Ethel Musser, of the high school faculty, and Miss Harriet Sewell, music teacher, will have charge of the club.

TO LOOK AFTER BIG TOBACCO CROP

H. W. Miller, janitor of the Seaton street school building, expects to go to his farm near Ellison, Ky., Sunday, to look after his tobacco crop, which is ready for delivery. He has sold his crop of 14,000 pounds at Glencoe, Ky., at \$15.75 per pound.

Basket Ball Meeting

An important meeting of all basketball players in the city will be held at 10 o'clock on Thursday night at the Clubhouse of the gym will be the important factor of tonight's session at 10 o'clock. Plans for securing a basketball floor or gymnasium to revive the sport in Portsmouth.

Ottino Passes Exam

According to a dispatch from Columbus, Elmer Ottino, former Portsmouth boy, successfully passed the civil service examination and is now among those who are eligible for the appointment to the position as inspector for the State Liquor Commission.

Out of two hundred applicants, only fifty secured passing grades. Of these twenty-three appointments are to be made.

SAMUEL KIEFER IS CALLED BY DEATH

Major advices received here tell of the sudden death at his home in Columbus, Thursday, of Samuel Kiefer, a well known photographer, formerly of this city. He was a son of L. H. Kiefer, of Third street. Years ago he conducted a studio at Second and Third streets.

CONTEMPT ORDER FILED

Lancaster, O. Dec. 22.—Contempt proceedings were taken here in common pleas court against officials and employees of the Ohio Fuel Supply company, after they had disregarded a suspended order of the court and turned off the gas supply of the Hocking Glass Company, which was forced to shut down at a heavy loss. It was intimated that the public utilities commission might be called into the case.

The court had suspended operation of an order dissolving a temporary injunction against the gas company, prohibiting its turning the gas off at the glass plant until Thursday midnight. The supply was cut off this morning.

DEATH SUMMONS COMES TO THOMAS W. WATKINS

The whole community was measurably shocked by the sudden death of Thomas W. Watkins, aged 59 years, president of the board of county commissioners, and one of Portsmouth's best known citizens, which occurred at his home, 1822 Baird avenue, Thursday night about 9:30 o'clock.

But few of Mr. Watkins' many friends in the city and county were aware he was seriously ill. He was complaining somewhat when he and his fellow commissioners went to Columbus a week ago to visit the State Highway Commissioner. He returned home Saturday night and on Sunday morning was seized with a chill.

He had since remained at home, suffering with chills and constipation of the bowels. He remained conscious up to the very last.

As news of Mr. Watkins' passing spread over town, expressions of genuine regret were to be heard on all sides. He was an honest and upright man, good citizen, an earnest, dutiful and capable official, who had the respect of all who knew him.

Thomas William Watkins was born in Clinton, Illinois, October 18, 1857, a son of John C. Watkins and Ellen LaFargel. His father was a native of Portsmouth and his grandfather, Thomas Watkins, was one of the city's first settlers.

Mr. Watkins left Clinton when a mere child and came to Portsmouth. He attended the public schools until 1874 and then began learning the plumbing business.

He went to Cincinnati and worked at his trade until 1878, when he returned to Portsmouth. He started in business in 1880 and was for years located at Third and Washington streets and later, up to his retirement from business a few years ago, was located at Second and Chillicothe streets.

Mr. Watkins was at one time superintendent of the city water works and two years ago was elected county commissioner on the Republican ticket. He was re-elected this fall and his second term would not have commenced until next September.

Mr. Watkins was married in 1872 to Sarah Stockham, daughter of Aaron Stockham, who survives with six children: Letta, wife of Dr. Dan J. Lloyd, dentist; Charles Watkins, of the Schindler Plumbing Company; Judith, wife of John A. Lowry, superintendent of the Harrison Walker brick plant; Thomas Watkins, Jr., a sergeant of a United States field artillery battery, stationed at Brownsville, Texas; Wayne Watkins, traveling salesman for the Standard Supply Company, and Miss Sarah Watkins at home.

Ft. Of Snow Ties-up Columbus; 3 1-2 Inches Registered Here

Close upon the heels of a vanishing snow came another heavy blanket of snow early Friday morning. Citizens were out early with snow-shovels and brooms clearing the sidewalks and walks about their homes.

The average depth of the snow was 3.5 inches, according to Dr. H. A. Schirrmann, local weather observer. The minimum temperature Thursday night was 20 degrees and the maximum temperature was 34 degrees.

The heavy snows in the vicinity of Columbus delayed the operation of trains on the Columbus division of the Norfolk and Western railroad for a period of over four hours, it was announced at the terminals Friday.

On account of the tie-up of the street cars employees of the railroad were unable to get to their work more than three hours. The freezing of the interlock switches at the Pennsylvania cross-over, near Columbus also caused a forty-five minute delay. Trains were being operated over the Columbus division Friday morning at eight o'clock.

Six street cars were operated over the lines of the Portsmouth Street Railway and Light company all Thursday night and early Friday morning to keep the tracks from being obstructed by the snow. But little trouble was experienced, it was stated Friday at the offices of the Street Railway company.

Meet Me At Eye's Fountain. 121f

SURPRISE PROGRAM

A surprise Christmas program will be given at the First Baptist Sunday school Sunday morning. Each class when called upon will give a special number. Each class is expected to have something different, no class knowing what the other class is going to render. At this service an effort will be made to raise \$250 to pay for the lighting system in the new church. At the Sunday evening service there will be several special Christmas musical numbers.

Western Sun Will Install

Western Sun Lodge, No. 91, F. & A. M., Wheelersburg, will have their annual installation of officers Wednesday evening, January 9. The Fellowship degree will be conferred upon a class of candidates, immediately following the installation exercises. A banquet will be served at the conclusion.

Quite a number of Masons from Portsmouth are expected to attend.

Tank Wagon Ditched

A large tank wagon belonging to the Standard Oil company was ditched at a point on Brush Creek Wednesday. The wagon had slipped over the edge of the road and as it was being drawn back into position a rope which was used in the work suddenly snapped, causing the wagon to topple over. The damage was slight.

J. I. Marsh To Go Under The Knife; Will Lose Foot

J. I. Marsh, a well known mineral manufacturer, is to be operated upon at Hemp-

stead hospital today for the removal of a foot. He has been suffering with blood

poisoning and developed gangrene. He was removed to the hospital Thursday afternoon.

SANTA CLAUS & CO. WILL BE AT BIGELOW TONIGHT

You and your family and friends are invited to Bigelow church tonight to enjoy the Christmas cantata entitled "Santa Claus and Company." The evening's program will begin promptly at 7:30 o'clock. Come early and get a good seat.

The cantata is to be given by the pupils of the Sunday school. All have been drilled for several weeks and each knows his or her part well, so you are promised a splendid program, one worth coming miles to see.

The entertainment will consist of many musical numbers, including selections by a chorus numbering from forty to fifty voices. There will also be solos, duets, trios and quartets too numerous to mention. The auditorium of the church, in which the program is to be given, has been most beautifully decorated, in keeping with the Christmas season. All are invited.

The cast of characters is as follows: Mildred, a child of the rich—Sarah Louise Walker; Patty, a child of the poor—Grace Runk; Sprinkle—Eleanor Schweinhelm; Cedar—Virginia Blake; Jack Frost—Gilbert Fuller; Santa Claus—Walter Wood; Snow Fairies—Chorus; Evergreen Fairies—Chorus; Holly Fairies—Chorus.

Proprietress Of Restaurant, Her Waitress And Man Are Arrested

Patrolman George Harding raided the Owl restaurant in the Biggs House block Friday morning at one o'clock, arresting the proprietress, Elizabeth Arms, her waitress, Maud Hodge and a farmer giving the name of James Hayslip.

Mrs. Arms was charged with running a disorderly place, and the other two with visiting a disorderly place. Harding had discovered Hayslip and the Hodge woman in a room back of the restaurant kitchen. The two women were locked up, while Hayslip secured his release on a \$100 cash bond, which he forfeited by failing to appear in police court.

Mrs. Arms pleaded not guilty to the charge against her, and claimed that when she left the kitchen to go out into the dining room to wait upon several men who had ordered sandwiches, Mrs. Hodge was busy cutting bread, and that Hayslip had slipped back into the kitchen and to the room at the rear unnoticed by her. She said the first she knew of anything wrong taking place, was when the officer stepped in and called her attention to the couple. She said because of her limited means and to save rent, she had partitioned off a bed room in the rear of the kitchen, enclosing it with curtains. She said she was divorced from her husband, who is living in Kentucky.

Mrs. Arms in answer to the court claimed she never knew the Hodge woman before. She was advised that she would be better off not to have her around her place.

Mrs. Hodge admitted being in the back room with Hayslip but denied having entered Mrs. Arms'

bedroom. She is the wife of Rastus Hodge who was arrested Thursday afternoon on a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses preferred by Mrs. Samuel Culp of Fourth street. She had been working at the restaurant for only a week.

The mayor continued the hearing until evening in order to receive the testimony of the arresting officer. Mrs. Arms was permitted to return to her place of business after leaving \$4 security for her appearance tonight but Mrs. Hodge was returned to the female ward.

Rev. George P. Horst, pastor of the Second Presbyterian church, who inaugurated the Christmas Eve choir, has named John E. Williams to look after the supplying of touring cars to carry the singers Sunday evening when they make their rounds to the different city, county, public and private institutions.

The start will be made from the Second Presbyterian church shortly after eleven o'clock. A route has been outlined, but will not be announced, as the choir means to arrive at the institutions and surprise the inmates. John the choir Sunday evening.

Firemen Improving

Warren Zahars, Jack Ashley and Albert Saunders, members of the Seventh street fire company, who were injured Wednesday afternoon when a hose stand broke during a demonstration of the new apparatus, which was being hauled at Seventh and Washington streets, were reported to be rapidly improving Friday.

Seek a position through TIMES WANT ADS. Employers of labor read them carefully.

Ask my customers about work. Rrehmer, the Painter.